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IPDG Jim Whelan, Member of the South Tucson Lions Club Designated for Council Chair Lionistic Year 2018-2019

We are very pleased to announce that Immediate Past District Governor Jim Whelan has been designated as our Council Chair for the Lionistic Year 2018-2019. We want to thank all of you who participated in the process of helping us select a Council Chair. We are excited to share with each of our districts and clubs our goals in relation to leadership, membership, service and Lions Foundation Association. You as the membership has entrusted us with a great responsibility. We pray and hope that we can meet the needs of our membership. Please reach out to us and tell us what you need for each of your clubs. As Lions we have tremendous resources available. Just ask, and chances are, that there is something available to assist you in any need you might have. We, as your leaders, and you, as our members, have an exciting opportunity to make the Lions of Arizona stronger this coming year. Let us go out and tackle the opportunity to serve each of our communities better.

"We Serve" Beyond the Horizon with Perseverance and Innovation - I1Pres Gudrun Yngvadottir One Act of Random Kindness - DGE Ray Clark Making a Difference - DGE Doug Harris We Are in the Business of Change - DGE Tom Price

Lions Foundation of Arizona Inc., Tatiyee Land Exchange Close to Completion

Lions Foundation of Arizona Inc., is near in completeing the Tatiyee Land Exchange and is currently waiting for legal documents to be finalized for the title company. LFA has done everything on their part to move the process forward . Should you have any questions, please contact Eddie Richardson, Executive Director at 602 244-9758.





NINETY-THIRD ANNUAL MD-21 CONVENTION MAY 18-20 - 2018

FOUR POINTS by SHERATON PHOENIX SOUTH MOUNTAIN HOTEL 10831 S. 51ST Street, Phoenix, AZ 85044 480-893-3000 x 1

REGISTRATION FORM - PLEASE USE ONE FORM FOR EACH LION 'CONVENTION REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ANY & ALL ACTIVITIES, MEALS OR TO VOTE'

NAME: N	ION-LION GUEST:	
E-MAIL:C		
DISTRICT: (circle one) 21-A 21-B 21-C CLUB:		
DISTRICT/MD OFFICE:		
(POSTMARKED BY APRIL 20, 2018) Please		
Registration Fee (Lions)	@	\$30.00 \$
Registration Fee (Non-Lion Guest or Leo)		\$ 5.00 \$
Registration Fee Campus Lions	@	\$15.00 \$
Friday Casino Fun Night (Sun Lakes Lions)	@	\$15.00 \$
(Hamburgers or Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Dessert)		
Saturday Luncheon (Guest Speaker)	@	\$22.00 \$
Select: Grilled Chicken Pesto Sandwich OR Ham &	& Cheese Wrap	
Saturday Evening (Black & White Ball-Int'l Director N. Alar		\$35.00 \$
Select: Chicken Piccata OR Southern Belle Pasta v	v/Bacon & Shrimp	
Sunday District Breakfast, Awards/Cabinet Meeting		\$22.00 \$
ANY DIETARY NEEDS OR ALLERGIES:		
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(POSTMARKED AFTER APRIL 20, 2018) Plea	ase check meal selections	where applicable
Registration Fee (Lions)	@	\$35.00 \$
Registration Fee (Non-Lion guest or Leo)	@	\$10.00 \$
Registration Fee Campus Lions	@	\$20.00 \$
Friday Casino Fun Night (Sun Lakes Lions)	@	\$20.00 \$
(Hamburgers or Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Dessert)		
Saturday Luncheon (Guest Speaker)	@	\$27.00 \$
Select: Grilled Chicken Pesto Sandwich OR Ham &	& Cheese Wrap	
Saturday Evening (Black & White Ball-Int'l Director N. Alar		\$40.00 \$
Select: Chicken Piccata OR Southern Belle Pasta v	v/Bacon & Shrimp	
Sunday District Breakfast, Awards/Cabinet Meeting	@	\$27.00 \$

Sunday District Breakfast, Awards/Cabinet Meeting

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MAY 18-20 - 2018

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2018 MD21 STATE CONVENTION, May 18-19-20. The Convention Committee shares this tentative agenda in this April CSL issue plus information to know for you and your club.

Friday, **noon – 6 p.m.** Arrive early and visit one of the many exhibitor and display tables, pin traders and buy your lucky tickets for the 50/50 convention raffle in the Rosewood and Ironwood Meeting Rooms.

Friday, 3 p.m. MD21 Final Council Meeting, Sage Ballroom

Friday, 6 p.m. Dinner and Casino Fun Night, Mesquite & Palm Ballrooms. Sun Lakes Lions are providing cards and bingo entertainment following a simple dinner of hamburgers, hotdogs, potato salad and dessert. All attendees that pre-register to attend the dinner and casino fun night will find a surprise gift with their registration badge.

Friday - Hospitality Rooms

Saturday, 7 a.m. Exhibitor and display room opens, Rosewood and Ironwood Meeting Rooms. Closed for luncheon meal and contact with exhibitors may be limited during any scheduled meeting times.

Saturday, 9 a.m. Mesquite, Palm & Sage Ballrooms. MD21 opening session, Parade of Banners, Honor Guard Flag Ceremony, Memorial and Necrology Service, LCIF 50th Anniversary Celebration presentation.

Saturday, 12:30 p.m. Mesquite, Palm & Sage Ballrooms. Luncheon, special guest speaker, Arizona Supreme Court Justice, Clint Bolick.

Saturday, 2:15 p.m. Mesquite, Palm or Sage Ballroom. GST, GMT and GLT Coordinators are planning several sessions to help the clubs with the how-to of Service, Membership and Leadership in these training seminars and presentations. Master Agenda for all that will be offered will be published in the May CSL. Have each of your attending members take advantage of everything being offered.

Saturday, 2:15 p.m. Ahwatukee & Chandler Meeting Rooms. Additional presentations and discussions. These will be included in the Master Agenda and published in the May CSL.

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Mesquite, Palm & Sage Ballrooms. Social Hour, no host cash bar.

Saturday, 6:30 p.m. Mesquite, Palm & Sage Ballrooms. Black and White International Dinner with our guest, International Director N. Alan Lundgren, Sr. The International Dinner's theme colors are black and white; choose your attire for the evening - formal, semi-formal or business suit or dress and you are requested to wear black and/or white. The evening includes our International Director as guest speaker, International Awards presentations and to recognize and honor MD21's Life Members.

Saturday - Hospitality Rooms

Sunday, 7:30 a.m. Mesquite, Palm or Sage Ballroom. Individual District Breakfasts followed by Individual District Cabinet Meetings and District Awards.

Sunday, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Mesquite, Palm or Sage Ballroom. Voting will be done in the ballroom of each Individual District for State Project Directors, S&H By-Laws, Camp Tatiyee By-Laws and the Redistricting Resolution.

Sunday, 10:35 a.m. Mesquite, Palm & Sage Ballrooms. MD21 Closing Business Session will include reports from our four state projects and the Vision Center, Multiple District Awards, Raffle, Introduction of 2018-2019 Council Officers and results of the voting – four state projects boards of directors; S&H By-Laws; Camp Tatiyee By-Laws and the Redistricting Resolution.

The 2018 MD21 State Convention Committee: Lion Linda Finley, Lion Rachelle Barrett, Lion PCC Debbie Vine

2018 MD21 State Convention - Memorial and Necrology Service, May 19, 10 a.m.

For all Lions who have passed away since the 2017 State Convention will be presented with a Certificates of Induction into the Heavenly Host Lion Club at the Memorial and Necrology Service at approximately 10 a.m. This service will also induct any Lioness, also if you want to recognize an associate member, auxiliary or spouse who has given service to your club. Please have someone from the club attend to accept your member's certificate. You may also invite a family member to attend this service to accept their Lions certificate.

Lion Club Secretaries: Report any Lion who has passed away on your club's monthly report as soon as possible after you have been notified. The Memorial Certificates are created from a master list of deceased Lions that is compiled by Lions International. If Lions are not reported, certificates cannot be prepared.

Lioness Club Secretaries: If a Lioness has passed away since April 2017, please email their district, club name, month/year died, the Lioness full name, with initials and nickname, to me at <u>amigorose@aol.com</u>.

Lions Club Associate Member or an Auxiliary or Spouse: If one of these has given a great deal to your club and you would like to include them, please follow the Lioness Club Secretary email instructions to me.

To assure the Memorial/Necrology Program is complete, please email your District Cabinet Secretary the full name, with initials and nickname of any Lion your Club loses in May. If the Lion's name is not received by the time the Memorial and Necrology Service programs are printed, contact Lion Linda to create a Certificate of Induction and the Lions name will be printed in next year's program.

Thank you for your help to remember those who have served your club. The District Memorial and Necrology Chairs, Lion Linda Finley, Lion Richard Serrano, Lion Amy Ballecer

2018 MD21 State Convention - Honoring Life Members, May 19, during International Dinner

The Convention Committee respectfully requests that clubs arrange to have their Life Member/s attend the International Dinner on Saturday night to be recognized, honored and receive a special Certificate of Service as a Life Member of MD21. Photo Ops will be done following. As a Club, please also consider placing a Recognition Ad for your Life Member in the Convention Program Book. Club Secretaries with Life Members were sent the advertising form, it is also available within this CSL.

2018 MD21 State Convention - Delegate and Alternate Forms and Convention Registration

- Club Delegate and Alternate Form, complete and return to your District Cabinet Secretary to be received by the date specified by your Cabinet Secretary or prior to May 14.
- Confirm Club Delegates and Alternates are attending and pre-registered for the convention prior to April 20.
- Save money late registration fees go into effect with any postmarks after April 20.
- <u>April 26</u> is the convention rate <u>deadline</u> to make your *Four Points by Sheraton Phoenix South Mountain* room reservation. Standard king or two queens \$79, King Suites \$99.

2018 MD21 State Convention - Registration and Certification, May 18, 19 & 20

- Convention Registration, Pre-Registration Pickup and Delegate and Alternate Certification Opens May 18 at noon; May 19 at 7 a.m. and May 20th will have easel signs with times and locations to register, to pick up pre-registrations and to certify to vote as a Delegate or Alternate.
- A Club's Certified Alternate will only vote in the case of the absence of the Club's Certified Delegate.
- Delegates/Alternates To be certified and allowed to vote, your club must be in good standing. <u>All payments need to be recorded as paid to fulfill the International requirement of all balances paid 15 days prior to voting</u>.
 INT'L Any and all balances for per capita dues and supplies, paid in full, received and recorded at Int'l.
 DISTRICT and MULTIPLE DISTRICT Any and all balances due for per capita dues.
- If any club continues to have an outstanding balance at International, District or Multiple District within the 15 days prior to voting, the delegates or alternates from that club will not be certified and cannot vote.
- All Delegates and Alternates <u>must be registered for the Convention</u> and <u>must be certified</u> by your Cabinet Secretary before 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, May 20.

2018 MD21 State Convention - VOTING, May 20, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Certified Delegates or Alternates will vote in the assigned ballroom of their individual district where their breakfast and Cabinet Meeting and Awards were held.

- VOTING Doors will open at 10 a.m.
- All ballot choices will be marked with an X –
- To select state project directors, mark each candidate with an X in yes or no;

- To accept the bylaws changes as presented for Camp Tatiyee, mark with an X in yes or no;
- To accept the bylaws changes as presented for Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation, mark with an X in yes or no;
- To accept the resolution on redistricting as presented, mark with an X in yes or no.
- Any ballot marked with any other symbol and not the required **X** and that ballot is caught before the ballot is dropped in the ballot box, take that error ballot to the Cabinet Secretary to receive a new ballot.
- Any ballot marked with any other symbol and not the required **X** and that ballot is dropped in the ballot box, that ballot will be considered voided and will not be counted.
- VOTING Doors will close at 10:30 a.m. or doors may close earlier if all district certified club delegates or alternates have completed voting.

2018 MD21 State Convention - Convention Advertising

The 2018 MD21 State Convention Program Book will be a memorable to keep and the Convention Advertising Form is available in this and earlier CSL's. The Convention Committee knows that each club has been touched by one or more of the following ideas and hopes each club in our Multiple District will submit at least a small ad to -

- Welcome home and/or congratulate our International Director, N. Alan Lundgren, Sr., who has served our association with distinction and will be completing his two year term of office at the conclusion of the 2018 International Convention in Las Vegas.
- Congratulate your Club's Melvin Jones Fellows and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows during this 50th Year Anniversary Celebration of LCIF.
- Pay tribute to your Club's Life Member/s for their years of service. They will be recognized and honored during the International Dinner on Saturday night.
- Endorse your Club's candidate/s for a state project's board of directors.
- Acknowledge your Club members who have served on a District or Multiple District level.
- Thank your District Governor for their year Phil Whitaker, Bobbie Ravenkamp, Ken Leja.
- Thank Council Chair Tom Simmons for his year.
- Share an upcoming Club project or event.

Thank you for your time and dedication to Lions. The Convention Committee asks that you attend your 2018 MD21 State Convention, May 18, 19 & 20, and that you are open to experience the fun, fellowship and the few new things we will be offering. As the 2018 MD21 State Convention Committee, we are honored to be serving you.

Lion Linda Finley, Lion Rachelle Barrett, Lion PCC Debbie Vine

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<u>Redistricting: Questions and Answer</u> Submitted by PID John Walker

In the March issue of the Canyon State Lion, 21 C District Governor Ken Leja, wrote a column "Redistricting, It's More than an Administrative Move". D.G. Leja raised some good questions and I will do my best to address them.

1. Question: Why is voting conducted only on the least attended day of the Convention? Answer: The Multiple District Procedures Guide, which the Council and those responsible for arranging the convention and conducting the voting, gives guidance. The Council approves the venue selection and the planning. The venue for this convention does not have the required space to conduct the voting except for only on Sunday. The procedures manual requires three separate rooms to conduct the voting. The planned convention activities on Saturday utilizes most of the venue meeting room space.

2. Question: Why is it required the voter be both a certified delegate AND a registered attendee at the convention (that is, one who must register and pay to vote)? Answer: That is the procedure followed by Lions Clubs International for all conventions; district, multiple district and international.

3. Question: Why can't there be absentee ballots? Answer: The absentee ballot form of voting is not recognized or approved by Lions Clubs International.

4. Question: Why can't we use technology to do online balloting? Answer: The online voting form of voting is not approved by Lions Clubs International.

The observation by D.G. Leja that a "No" vote doesn't change anything is not accurate. If the cast ballots show a majority voted "No" then the issue of redistricting dies. Nothing will change. It will be the same three districts, the same membership issues, the same leadership issues and uncertain future.

The statements of how to run elections to stack the deck FOR or AGAINST an issue are interesting. As Chairperson of the Long Range Planning Committee and speaking on behalf of the members, there was no action we took to "stack the deck" as we had no part in selecting the venue, the planning and organizing of the voting process and overall planning and conducting the convention itself. That oversight belongs to the voting District Governors as stated in the Procedures Manual.

The Long Range Planning Committee did the work it was charged with in July, 2016. The committee after examining membership trends, the redistricting report from the previous committee, and looking for answers concluded the first action was to have the Lions of Arizona determine if they should redistrict. That is what the vote is about in May. Reports/presentations on redistricting were given at the February and May, 2017 Council meetings. At the May, 2017 meeting the council agreed the issue could go forward for a vote. Information was presented at all 3 district Kick Off Meetings in August, 2017 and at the Mid-Year Leadership Forum in October, 2017. The entire report with all the backup information was printed in the March Canyon State Lion and was mailed to each Lion club president. Again, should the majority of delegates vote "NO", the issue dies. If the majority of delegates vote "YES" then the process continues, and the following actions take place

- 2018-19 Council sends the redistricting proposal to Lions Clubs International for the Board of Directors to consider the proposal the fall board meeting. Because of the work to be done on transition, it is recommended the 2018-19 Council ask the board of directors for an additional year before redistricting takes place. In effect, the redistricting becomes effective July 2020.
- 2018-2019 Council appoints a Transition Team to examine the issues of dues, district funds, district property, District Governor and Vice District Governor succession, constitution and by-laws, procedures manuals and other issues that may arise.

The voting at the May convention has consequences. All clubs are strongly encouraged to participate and register their vote. If the issue is important to you and your club, you need to participate. If is not important to you or your club, then others will decide your future. It is up to you.

Respectfully, John F. Walker John Walker, PID Chairperson, Long Range Planning Committee



MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee John F Walker, Chairperson 21117 N Vista Trail Surprise, AZ 85387

February 13, 2018

Dear Club President and Lions of Arizona,

The MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee has made a report to the MD 21 Council of Governors. The subject of the report is the proposal to redistrict MD 21 from its three current districts, 21 A, 21 B and 21 C, to two districts, 21 N and 21 S.

The report contains information pertinent to the proposal

- Background information
- Committee work
- Working points
- Addendums containing membership data, new maps, alignment of clubs in districts, Council resolutions and ballot language

It is important that each club be informed and decide as a club what action they want to take on the issue. Previous steps in this effort for transparency consisted of informational reports made at the last 2 Council of Governors meetings in 2016-2017, the 2017-2018 district kick off meetings, and a presentation at the 2017 Mid-Year Leadership Conference. This report will also be printed in the Canyon State Lion March, 2018 issue. We are aware that there are Lions who do not review the on-line version of the Canyon State Lion. To make sure all Lions can view the information, this report is being sent to each club to each Lion Club President.

A vote on the decision to redistrict will take place at the MD 21 State Convention in Ahwatukee May 18-20, 2018. Each club is apportioned delegates according to its membership according to the constitution and bylaws of MD 21. Clubs voting must be in good standing, meaning all club dues paid to the district, multiple district and Lions Clubs International. If a simple majority of the voting delegates vote in favor, the proposal passes, and the process continues. If a simple majority of the voting delegates vote against it, the proposal fails, and no further action will take place.

As President it is your responsibility to make sure your club is informed. An informed club can make the decision about the way the Lions of Arizona are organized in the future. It is up to each club to decide this issue. There will be members of the Long-Range Planning Committee present at each district convention to answer questions you may have.

Respectfully,

John F. Walker, PID

MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee Chairperson

MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee

FINAL REPORT TO MD 21 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS:

A. Background

The Lions of Arizona, MD 21, for many years, has undergone a significant decline in membership and loss of clubs. This situation has been a concern of many Councils of Governors. As membership declined, the prospect of changing the composition of MD 21 from 3 sub-districts to 2 sub-districts would have to be considered at some date should the trend continue.

The 2014-2015 Council of Governors appointed a MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee and charged the committee with developing a proposal to redistrict MD 21 that they could possibly work from should the need for redistricting MD 21 arise in the future. This committee's work was done in the background working as a study group. In January 2015 the MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee submitted their report to the Council. The Council held the report and did not take any action on the report.

The Multiple District continued to see overall decline in membership** (See <u>Membership History</u> in Addendum). The 2016-2017 MD 21 Council of Governors authorized a new MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee at the July 2016 council meeting. PID John Walker, District 21 A, was asked to be Committee Chairperson. The other committee members were to be selected according to provisions of the MD 21 Constitution and By-Laws and Procedures Manual. The committee was not given a specific charge however, Council Chairperson Sally Hanson indicated the committee would not have a problem determining issues to examine.

The respective District Governors appointed the following members;

- 21 A PID John Walker (Chairperson) and PCC Debbie Vine
- 21 B PCC Jim McCown and PDG Larry Palmer
- 21 C PCC Bill Menard and PDG Robert Jones

B. Committee Work

The committee began its work in September 2016 with a meeting at L.F.A. The focus of the Committee was to review the work of the previous committee on a redistricting proposal being mindful of the continuing membership losses. It was apparent to the committee the MD and subdistricts needed a comprehensive membership growth program. The committee felt if membership and club growth could be increased significantly the need for redistricting would be a mute question. However, the committee recognized if the increase does not occur redistricting should be considered by the Lions of MD 21. With these two points in mind the committee prepared this redistricting proposal. The committee used the Lions Clubs International publication, "Guide for Consolidating Districts" as a resource going forward with its task. The Chairperson maintained contact with appropriate divisions at LCI headquarters during the process.

The committee unanimously agreed this proposal be shared with the 2016-2017 MD 21 Council of Governors. Further, the committee desired the work to be made public and that the MD 21 Lions have an opportunity to vote on the proposal at the MD Convention in May 2018, thus, allowing the process to have a culmination decided by the Lions of MD 21.

At that meeting resolutions were presented by the MD Constitution and By-Laws Chairperson. The Council of Governors approved resolutions. **4 See RESOLLUTIONS in Addendum

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During the Council of Governors meeting held in Prescott, AZ on November 3, 2017 a motion containing ballot language for the proposition to be voted on at the May, 2018 MD convention was approved. ** See 5 BALLOT LANGUAGE in addendum. Following the ballot language approval the LRPC Chairperson asked LCI Legal Staff to review it to make sure it conformed with LCI standards. On January 4 ** 6 See LCI LEGAL RESPONSE, Amy Pena, General Counsel responded. It appears the ballot language should be reviewed and amended. CBL Chairperson Daviet was sent the correspondence on this matter. On January 2 **See 7. Revised Ballot Language. CBL Chairperson PDG Les Daviet submitted revised ballot language to Council.

Working Points of the LRPC

The committee established the following points regarding redistricting; the pro and con arguments relative to redistricting, distribution of clubs in geographical alignments, location of clubs within large cities, equity in members and clubs within districts, and district identifiers.

Committee Work

- 1. Pro Arguments
 - a.) Administrative tool to create 2 strong full districts meeting LCI criteria of 35 clubs and 1,250 members
 - b.) Full districts able to elect District Governors and receive financial support from LCI for DGE and adult companion
 - c.) Full district able to endorse candidates for international offices
 - d.) Stronger districts membership, leadership
 - e.) Deeper leadership pools
 - f.) Increased financial resources for District Operations
 - g.) New enthusiasm and new energy from a new start
 - h.) Less overhead expenses with one less district governor team
 - i.) Stronger district committees
 - j.) Less stress with more hands to help, less reliance on only the few
 - k.) Increased service impact
- 2. Con Arguments
 - a.) Some district/club traditions may be lost
 - b.) Negative feelings/ apathy
 - c.) Larger district areas will increase costs
 - d.) Financial/Dues
 - e.) Storing current records/district property
 - f.) Does not solve membership problem delays inevitable
 - g.) Longer distance to district meetings

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3. Geographical Alignment

Committee members considered different geographical alignment proposals. After discussion the committee agreed by consensus to one geographical alignment. This alignment is mostly a north/south division following interstate roads, state highways and a topographical landmark. See MAPS in the Addendum.

4. Clubs within Large Cities

The committee agreed that all clubs within the larger cities; Phoenix, Mesa, Scottsdale should remain with all clubs in same city to eliminate clubs in same city being in different districts. Result would have all clubs in same city in same district. Currently that is not the case. See LIST OF CLUBS IN PROPOSED DISTRICTS in Addendum.

5. District equity members/clubs

The committee committed to having the proposed districts being as equal as possible in numbers of members and clubs. It would be impossible to have the same equal number of clubs within the proposed division of the districts without gerrymandering. See LIST OF CLUBS IN PROPOSED DISTRICTS in Addendum.

6. District Identifiers

When the committee proposed organizing the clubs in a north/south orientation it was easy to informally refer to the districts as North and South. After interactions with Lions within MD 21 this was not a desired outcome. In the beginning the committee thought removing the current labels of 21 A, 21B and 21 C would be in the best interest of the Multiple District because a new start could include new district labels.

Different suggestions for identifying the districts were made, such as

- a.) 21 AZ 1 and 21 AZ 2
- b.) 21 A and 21 Z
- c.) 21 A/C and 21 B
- d.) 21 N and 21 S

The committee by consensus recommends naming the districts 21 N and 21 S

C. MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee Recommendations

Your MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee makes these 3 recommendations.

- 1. MD 21 redistrict from 3 districts, 21 A, B and C, to 2 districts, 21 N and 2 S
- 2. A vote be held at the May 2018 Multiple District 21 Convention in accordance with rules and procedures adopted and used by Lions Clubs International and MD 21.
- 3. No matter what the outcome of the vote, there is a definite need to establish a comprehensive Club Development and Membership Growth plan within Multiple District 21.

Respectfully Submitted,

MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee

PID John Walker, ChairpersonPCC Debbie VinePCC Jim McCownPDG Larry PalmerPCC Bill MenardPDG Robert JonesJanuary 31, 2018

Addendum

YEAR	DISTRICT	CLUBS	MEMBERS
TEAK	DISTRICT	CLUBS	WEWBERS
2002	21 A	48	1,249
	21 B	47	1,482
	21 C	<u>57</u>	<u>1,337</u>
		152	4,068
2007	21 A	43	1,076
	21 B	44	1,430
	21 C	<u>51</u>	<u>1,212</u>
		138	3,718
2012	21 A	39	880
	21 B	41	1,290
	21 C	<u>45</u>	<u>1,074</u>
		125	3,244
2017	21 A	32	660
	21 B	43	1,222
	21 C	<u>45</u>	<u>1,125</u>
		120	3,037
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1. MEMBERSHIP

2. <u>MAPS</u>

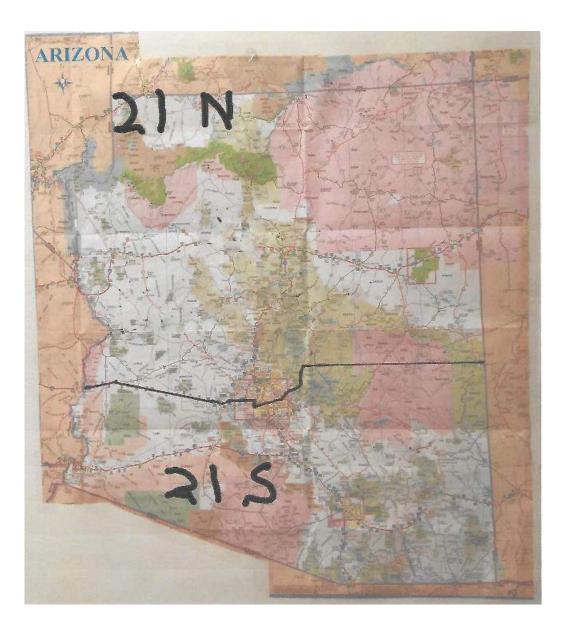
Description: Boundary Line

From East New Mexico border near Alpine, AZ, east to AZ 87 near Rye, AZ, proceeding down AS 87 to the Salt River, Proceeding along Salt River to 75th Avenue. North on 75th Ave to Interstate 10, proceeding west on Interstate 10 to Colorado River. District 21 N is north of the line, and 21 S south of the line.

2. <u>MAPS</u>

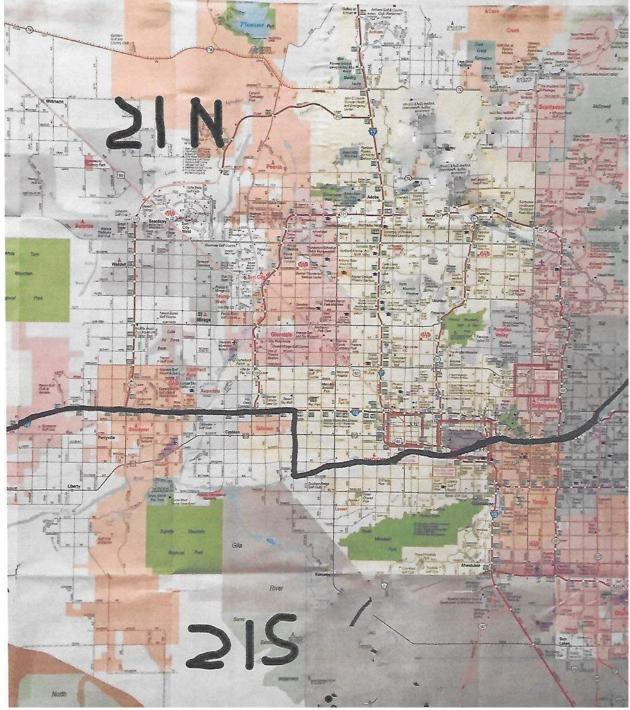
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Cont. 2 MAPS

B Greater Phoenix Area



Description:

Boundary Line on AZ 87 in east, running to Salt River, along Salt River to 75th Avenue. North on 75th Avenue to Interstate 10. West on Interstate 10 to Colorado River. District 21 N is north of the line, and 21 S south of the line.

3. LIST OF CLUBS IN PROPOSED DISTRICTS

A. Clubs in District 21 N

Black Canyon City Bi-Centennial **Bullhead City** Camp Verde **Chino Valley Noontimers** Concho Valley **Deer Valley** Flagstaff NAU Campus **Glendale Evening Longhaven** Holbrook Lake Havasu City Daybreakers Overgaard – Ponderosa Payson **Peoria Pioneer** Phoenix Asian American Phoenix Biltmore Phoenix Downtown Phoenix Midtown Phoenix Paradise Village **Phoenix Social** Pinetop Prescott Evening Prescott Sunrise Salome Scottsdale McCormick Ranch Scottsdale Pinnacle Peak Sedona-Oak Creek Canyon Snowflake-Taylor Sun City Early Birds Sun City Mid-Week Bell Surprise Wickenburg

Bradshaw Mountain of Dewey-Humboldt **Camelback Mountain** Chino Valley Clarkdale-Jerome Cottonwood Flagstaff **Flagstaff Sunrise** Grand Canyon **Kingman Mohave** Lake Havasu City London Bridge Parker Peoria Northwest Valley Peoria Sunset **Phoenix Barangay** Phoenix Breakfast Phoenix Metro Phoenix North Phoenix Phoenix Phil – Am Phoenix Valley of the Sun Prescott ERAU Campus Prescott Noon Prescott Valley Early Birds Scottsdale Kachina Scottsdale McDowell Mountain Ranch Scottsdale Pride of Scottsdale Show Low Springerville Sun City Host Sun City Wes Sunrise Surprise Sun Village Williams

3 Cont., LIST OF CLUBS IN PROPOSED DISTRICTS

A. Clubs in District 21 S

Ahwatukee	Ajo
Apache Junction	Avondale
ASU Campus	Benson
Buckeye	Casa Grande
Catalina – Oro Valley	Chandler
Chandler Sun Bird	Cochise Stronghold
Coolidge	Douglas
Eloy	Florence
Gila Bend	Gilbert
Globe	Gold Canyon
Goodyear	Green Valley
Green Valley La Canoa	Guadalupe
Hauchuca City	Laveen
Marana Host	Maricopa
Mesa Dreamcatchers	Mesa Fountain of the Sun
Mesa Host	Mesa Leisure World
Mesa Sunland Spring Village	Mesa Thunderbird
Mesa Vietnamese American	Miami
Morenci	Nogales
Safford	San Luis
San Pedro Valley	San Tan
Sierra Vista	Sierra Vista La Salida del Sol
South Tucson	Sun Lakes
Sun Lakes Breakfast	Tanque Verde Valley
Tempe	Tombstone
Tucson Breakfasts	Tucson Downtown
Tucson Leones de la Noche	Tucson North Tucson
Tucson Rincon	Tucson Wilmot
University of Arizona Campus	Yuma Quartermaster Evening

4. RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was adopted.

MD21 REDISTRICTING PROCESS RESOLUTION FOR PRESENTATION AT MD21 COUNCIL COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING MAY 19, 2017 --- AHWATUKEE, ARIZONA

<u>WHEREAS</u> MD21 has been experiencing a decline in Lions Clubs and in Lions Membership for over a decade and efforts to arrest the decline have not been successful: and

<u>WHEREAS</u> in July 2016, the MD21 Council of Governors reactivated the MD21 Long Range Planning Committee and commissioned the Committee to reassess the alternatives for redistricting MD21 as an initial step to resolving the membership issue; and

<u>WHEREAS</u> in February 2017, the MD21 Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) presented a report to the MD21 Council of Governors (Council) with the following Recommendations:

- The MD21 Council of Governors review the work of the LRPC
- The Council take action to proceed with the redistricting process for the Multiple District to create two (2) Sub Districts, D21-N and D21-S, each containing approximately 60 Clubs and 1500 Members
- The delegates of MD21 Lions Clubs have the opportunity to vote on the redistricting proposal and decide the issue at a MD21 Annual Convention
- A comprehensive, dynamic approach to club growth and membership growth must be instituted and promoted by all Lions of Arizona whether the redistricting proposal is approved or not; and

<u>WHEREAS</u> the Timeline to accomplish the Redistricting Process will span three (3) fiscal years as follows:

- FY 2016-17 -- In May 2017 Council acts on Recommendations presented by the MD21 Long Range Planning Committee by Resolution at its fourth meeting
- FY 2017-18 -- A formal written Action Plan for the successful implementation of the redistricting process and the plan for ongoing club growth and member growth in the two new Sub Districts is prepared including all items required by the Lions Clubs International Bylaws, Article 8, Section 3, and Board Policy Manuel, Chapter IX, Paragraph H

- 1. Information sessions for all MD21 Lions to be publicized and held Lion Venues (Kick-off Conferences, Conventions, Individual Club) to inform the membership on the process and gain input.
- 2. MD21 Delegates vote to approve the redistricting proposal
- FY 2018-19 --
 - 1. Sixty (60) days prior to the October 2018 LCI Board Meeting the Redistricting Proposal and Action Plan is forwarded to LCI for consideration and approval at the October 2018 Board Meeting
 - 2. New Multiple District and Sub District Constitution and Bylaws are prepared for adoption by the Delegates at the May 2019 MD21 Convention
 - 3. FY 2019-20 District Governor, First Vice District Governor, and Second Vice District Governor are Elected for each New Sub District and FY 2019-20 Council Chairperson is selected
- FY2019-20 -- MD21 and its two Sub Districts Function as Redistricted

<u>BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT</u> the FY 2016-17 Council of Governors, and by their vote and signature hereto, those to be in the office as the Council of Governors in FY 2017-18 and in FY 2018-19 adopt and commit to the implementation/ execution of the MD21 Redistricting Process and Proposal as presented in this Resolution, and charge the MD21 Long Range Planning Committee, MD21 Constitution and Bylaws Committee, MD21 Nominations and Election Committee, MD21 GLT, MD21 GMT, and any other MD21 Committees and/or Others as may be needed to perform their roles and responsibilities as required to ensure time and proper completion of the task assigned.

FY2016-17 FY2017-18 FY2018-19 CC Sally Hansen Marc Paquette D21-A Jack Buckles Phillip Whitaker Tom Price D21-B James Whelan **Robert Hutton** Roberta Ravenkamp D21-C **Rosemarie Gabriel** Kenneth Leja **Doug Harris**

ADOPTED AND SIGNED this 19th Day of May 2017

5. Ballot Language adopted November 3, 2017

Ballot language approved by MD 21 Council of Governors, November 3, 2017

Ballot Measure for Redistricting

Shall the current three-district configuration of Multiple District 2 (21-A, -B, and -C, respectively) become realigned into two districts with a north and south configuration of approximately equal numbers of members and clubs?

____Yes ____No

A simple majority of "Yes" votes will result in the redistricting proposal being sent to the LCI Board of Directors for consideration at its next available meeting; a less-than majority of "Yes" votes will result in the current three-district alignment remaining unchanged.

6. LCI Legal Response

Dear Past Director Walker:

Thank you for your email. I apologize for the delay in responding. First, about the vote required for redistricting, the International By-Laws were revised to permit a vote at the Multiple District Level by a majority of the convention at the multiple district. Note this is the standard for when a multiple district is consolidating to fewer sub-districts. With regard to the ballot language. The language provided by the Constitution and By-Laws Committee is more specific – which what is generally you would want in a ballot question. However, I understand the naming issue and agree that it be better for that to be left open. My only concern is that the International Constitution and By-Laws requires that the multiple district approve the redistricting proposal, so the language on the ballot should reflect a proposal (more specific division) that is distributed and can be referenced in the actual ballot language.

Something like the following:

Shall the MD21 Long Range Planning Committee's proposal to redistrict MD 21 from three (3) subdistricts consisting of District 21-A, District 21-B and District 21-C into two (2) sub-districts with a north and south configuration of approximately equal numbers of members and clubs, as published in the March 2018, April 2018 and May 2018 issues of the Canyon State Lion and sent to the secretary of each Multiple District 21 Lions club be approved?

Yes No

A majority of "yes" votes will result in the redistricting proposal being sent to the LCI Board of Directors for consideration at its next available meeting. I hope this provides you with guidance in this matter. Please let me know if you would like to discuss further.

Best wishes for a Happy New Year, Amy J. Peña General Counsel Lions Clubs International

7. Revised Ballot Language For May MD Convention

Constitution and Bylaws Chairperson PDG Les Daviet prepared revised ballot language to reflect suggestions made by LCI General Consul Amy Pena. The effect of this revision was to specifically name two new districts, reflecting the recommendation of the Long Range Planning Committee.

The MD 21 Council of Governors met on January 21,2018 to review the following revised ballot language.

"Shall the MD 21 Long Range Planning Committee's proposal to redistrict MD21 from three (3) sub-districts consisting of District 21-A, District 21-B and District 21-C into two (2) sub-districts, D21 N and D21 S, with a north and south configuration of approximately equal numbers of members and clubs, as published in the March, 2018, April 2018 and May 2018 issues of the Canyon State Lion and sent to the Secretary of each Multiple District 21 Lions Club, be approved?

_____ Yes _____ NO

A majority of "Yes" votes will result in the Redistricting Proposal being sent to the LCI Board of Directors for consideration at its next available meeting"

The Council of Governors approved the ballot language. This vote will be ratified at a special meeting scheduled for February 24, 2018 at the location of the D 21 A Convention in Avondale

"Re-Districting: The Quiz" 2017 MD 21 Mid-Year Leadership Forum

Section One: True or False

Directions: Read each statement. If it is true, circle the letter T. If is false, circle the letter F

- T F 1. Lions Clubs International is requesting MD 21, the Lions of Arizona, to re-district from 3 districts to 2 districts.
- T F 2. Re-districting is an administrative tool to create full districts with a minimum of 35 clubs and 1,250 members.
- T F 3. Only the Council of Governors can vote on re-districting MD 21.
- T F 4. Since June,2002 MD 21 has a net loss of over 1,000 members and 32 clubs.
- T F 5. Two larger districts having more Lions will give each district more members to participate in leadership roles.
- T F 6. Club delegates at each district convention will vote on the re-districting proposal.
- T F 7. Having more Lions eligible to serve in district offices would reduce the stress on Lion leaders serving in multiple positions.
 - T F 8. Each new district must have the same number of clubs and members.
 - T F 9. With two districts, our pool of leaders and potential leaders in each district will be larger than with three.
- T F 10. With two districts, both will be stronger and able to accomplish more.
- T F 11. With just two districts, the cost of one complete DG team expenses will be eliminated.
- T F 12. We can regain having three districts if we can grow in membership to attain the required number.
- T F 13. We can endorse an ID candidate in the future in either of the two districts if the districts meet the membership level required.
- T F 14. Two full districts would be able to provide adequate financial resources for the districts.
- T F 15 If the re-districting proposal fails at the MD 21 convention in May, the matter is over and our 3 districts will continue.
- T F 16. No parts of the redistricting proposal may be changed after it is approved.
- T F 17. Re-districting to 2 districts solves MD 21's membership issues.
- T F 18. Establishing new clubs, retaining members and recruiting new members is required no matter if re-districting is accepted or rejected.

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Section Two. Circle the letter of the answer that would best complete the statement.

- 19. Which Lions can vote on a re-districting proposal at the MD convention in May. 2018?
 - A. All the Lions in attendance
 - B. The Council of Governors
 - C. The certified delegates of each Lions Club in good standing attending the convention.
 - D. All of the above
- 20. If approved, when at the earliest, would the new districts begin to operate?
 - A. In July,2018 when the new Lion year begins
 - B. In October,2018 when the International Board of Directors gives approval at the board meeting.
 - C. In July,2019 following the conclusion of the International Convention in Milan, Italy.
 - D. All of the above
- 21. The Lions of Arizona decide they do not want to re-district after the Board approves a proposal. What would be required?
 - A. Nothing, it would be too late to change
 - B. A vote of the delegates at a MD convention would be needed
 - C. It would be necessary to wait 3 years before asking for a change
 - D. None of the above
- 22. A full district, 35 clubs and 1,250 members, will be able to
 - A. Elect its District Governor
 - B. Receive full financial support for the District Governor-Elect attending DGE Seminar and International Convention.
 - C. Able to endorse candidates for International 3rd VP or International Director
 - D. All of the above
- 23. What is required for a re-districting proposal to be passed at the MD 21 convention in May, 2018?
 - A. The proposal must receive approval from 2/3 of the delegates voting.
 - B. The proposal must receive approval from a simple majority of delegates voting.
- 24. Changing to 2 districts can raise negative issues, such as
 - A. Lions not liking the change will drop out or become less interested
 - B. Lions may dislike their club being switched to a different district
 - C. Larger districts, longer travel to meetings, conventions, other events
 - D. All of the above.
- 25. If redistricting is approved what issues should be resolved before the new districts begin operation?
 - A. Determine candidates for DG, 1st and 2nd VDG
 - B. Have Constitution and By-Laws in place
 - C. Determine dues structure for the districts and Multiple District
 - D. All of the above

Answers to Redistricting the Quiz

1. F

2. T 20. C

19. C

- 3. F 21. B
- 4. T 22. D
- 5. T 23. B
- 6. F 24. D
- 7. T 25. D
- 8. F
- 9. T
- 10. T
- 11. T
- 12. T
- 13. T
- 14. T
- 15.. T
- 16. F
- 17. F
- 18 T



Lions Camp Tatiyee, Inc Bylaws

Article One Name and Offices

- A. Name: The name of this corporation shall be "Lions Camp Tatiyee Inc."
- B. Offices: The principal offices of the corporation shall be located in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona. The corporation may have other offices, Either within or without of the State of Arizona, as the Board of Directors may determine from time to time.

Article Two Board of Directors

A. Number and Qualifications

- 1. The property and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a
 - Board of Directors composed of eighteen (18) up to twenty four (24) members. The board shall be made up of Lions in good standing who are members of a Lions Club in good standing in Multiple District 21 with an equal number from each district and non-Lion members of the community. The number of non-Lion directors from the community shall be less than fifty (50) percent of the number of Lion directors.
- 2. The current International Officers within Multiple District 21 and the current District Governors shall be Honorary Directors, but shall have no voting privileges.

B. Terms of Office, Nomination and Election Procedures:

- 1. Directors shall serve a three (3) year term of office.
- 2. One third (1/3) of the total number of Lion directors shall be elected each year at the Annual Multiple District 21 Convention and each District within the Multiple District (MD21) shall elect the same number of directors, except under conditions as noted in Article Two (2), Section C-1.
- At least ninety (90) days prior to the annual convention, the Secretary of the Corporation shall notify all Clubs in MD-21, of the number of vacancies in their respective Districts.
- Nominations shall be made in writing through the individual Club Secretary at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual MD-21 convention. Should too few qualified candidates be submitted from a District, nominations may be made from the floor at the annual convention during the cabinet meeting for the District in which a vacancy exists.
- 5. Election shall be by secret written ballot by the certified delegates from each Club in good standing in MD-21 at the annual MD-21 convention. Candidates shall be declared in the order received, beginning with the highest, until the available vacancies in the respective districts are filled.
- 6. Directors so elected shall be installed into office at the next Annual Meeting of the Corporation. (See Article three, Section A)

C Vacancies and Removal:

- Whenever a Lion vacancy on the Board of Directors occurs due to death resignation, removal or otherwise, a replacement shall be appointed, without due delay, by a majority vote of the remaining Directors. The Lion so selected shall be from the same District as the vacating Director, and serve until the next MD convention. A The new Lion Director must be elected at the next MD convention, and will serve the remaining term of the replaced Director. No Lion Director may serve a subsequent term by appointment.
- 2. Whenever a non-Lion vacancy on the Board of Directors occurs due to death resignation, removal or otherwise, a replacement shall be appointed by a majority vote of the remaining Directors.
- 3. Any Director and/or Officer may be removed for cause at any regularly constituted meeting of the Board of

Directors, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Directors present. Deviation from the policies and directives of the Board that are injurious to the Corporation and/or unexplained or unacceptable absences from the meetings of the Board may be deemed cause for removal. The Secretary shall be notified in advance of a duly called meeting, in the event a Director cannot attend.

D Compensation and Reimbursement:

- 1. Directors shall receive no monetary or in-kind compensation from the Corporation for their services as Directors
- 2. Directors may be reimbursed for approved out-of-pocket expenditures such as postage, paper and printing, etc., incurred while doing authorized committee or other assigned, activities.

Article Three Annual Meeting and Board Meetings

A. Annual Meeting:

- 1. The Annual Meeting of the Corporation shall be in September or early October. The President or in his/her absence, one of the Vice Presidents, shall preside until the new officers are elected. The first order of business at this meeting shall be the installation of incoming Directors. The second order of business shall be to elect from the Directors, the officers of the Board. The new officers shall be installed at this September Board Meeting.
- 2. The Secretary shall notify by written mail, personal delivery, electronic or fax transmission, each Director and incoming Director, the place and time for the Annual Meeting, at least fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting.

B. Board Meeting:

- 1. The Board of Directors shall meet at least four (4) times a fiscal year. The Annual Meeting of the Corporation shall be permitted to count as a meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 2. The President, with the approval of the majority of the Board Members, shall designate any place within, or without, the Multiple District 21, as the place for regular or special meetings.
- 3. The Secretary shall notify by written mail, personal delivery, electronic or fax transmission, the place, date, and time for each meeting, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting.
- 4. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President, or by petition of not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the elected and appointed members of the Board. Such petitions shall be made to the Secretary, by written mail, personal delivery, electronic or fax transmission. Directors shall be notified of special meetings in the same manner as regular meetings.
- 5. A majority of the total number of elected and appointed Directors present in person at any duly called and/or noticed meeting shall constitute a quorum be needed for the transaction of business. All votes shall be cast in person. In person shall be defined as physically present or on the phone or video conferencing (like skype, or gotomeeting, join.me, ...) during the meeting. Proxy voting shall not be permitted. A Quorum shall consist of ten (10) or more duly elected fifty percent plus one of elected and appointed Directors and more than half of the Directors present must be Lions.
- 6. Between meetings business transactions may be approved by e-mail with at least two-thirds (2/3) of the elected and appointed members approval. The transaction must also be approved at the next meeting.

Article Four Officers

A. Number and Titles of Officers:

- 1. There shall be a President, one Vice President from each District, a Secretary and a Treasurer, each elected for a term of one year, by and from the Lions on the Board of Directors.
- 2. Additional officers, such as, but not limited to, one or more Assistant Secretary and/or Treasurer, may be elected for one-year (1) terms, and shall perform such duties as may be specified by the Board. Such officers shall be members in good standing of a Lions Club in good standing in Multiple District 21, and shall

not have voting privileges unless they are Directors.

A. General Duties:

- 1. The several Officers shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may from time to time be specified in resolutions or directives of the Board of Directors.
- 2. In addition to such specifications, each Officer shall have duties and responsibilities set forth as follows :
 - a. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall provide general supervision of the affairs of the corporation. He/she shall implement the policies and attainment of objectives established by the board and shall recommend, for the Board approval, specific duties for the Vice Presidents and the establishment and staffing of all committees.
 - b. There shall be three (3) one Vice Presidents, one from each of the districts of Multiple District 21. The Board shall determine, following the election of the Vice Presidents, the order in which the Vice Presidents shall assume the duties of the President when he/she is absent. The Vice Presidents shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them by the Board.
 - c The Secretary shall attend and record the proceedings of all meetings of the board and of the Executive Committee. He/she shall *transmit* the minutes of such minutes to all members of the Board, and the District Governors within ten (10) days after each meeting. The Secretary shall have custody of the official seal of the Corporation, and shall have authority to affix it to all instruments where required. He/she shall give all notices required by statute, bylaws or resolution and shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the Board or the President. He/she shall deposit all moneys, securities and other valuable effects received by the corporation in such depositories as may be designated by the Board. A receipt for each deposit shall be forwarded to the Treasurer within five (5) days. *Received funds may be deposited by a third person if accounting procedures deem it necessary, and approved by the Board*.
 - d. The Treasurer shall have custody of and care for all funds, securities and other assets of the Corporation, unless otherwise directed by the Board. He/she shall keep, in books belonging to the Corporation, full and accurate records of all receipts, deposits and disbursements. He/she shall deposit all moneys, securities and other valuable effects received by the corporation in such depositories as may be designated by the Board. Received funds may be deposited by a third person designated by the board. He/she shall disburse funds only as ordered by the Board. An account of all financial transactions shall be made to the Board at each of the meetings and at such other times as may be requested by the board. If required by the board, he/she shall provide and keep in force, a surety bond in the form and amount designated by the board, to insure the faithful performance of his/her duties of office and the restoration to the Corporation of all books, papers and other assets of whatever kind, at the termination of his/her term of office for whatever reason.

B. Vacancies and Removal:

- 1. A vacancy in any office, for any reason, may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Board members. The person so elected shall serve the un-expired one (1) year term of that office.
- 2. The procedure for Removal of any officer is detailed in Article Two Section C-2.

Article Five Committees

- A. Executive Committee:
 - 1. Membership and Powers:
 - a. The Executive Committee shall be the Officers of the Board, the Immediate Past President and such other Directors as shall be appointed by the President, with the

approval by majority vote of the Directors. The Immediate Past President shall not have voting privileges unless he/she is a Director

- a. The Executive Committee shall be chaired by the President and shall exercise all powers of the Board when the Board is not in session, except such powers as the Board specifically may reserve to itself. The Committee shall make such rules and regulations as it deems prudent for its management and shall report such actions to the board for its ratification at each duly constituted meeting of the board.
- b. A majority of the voting members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A quorum is 4.
- c. Meetings of the Executive Committee may be called by the President, three members of the committee, or by the Secretary.
 - The Secretary will notify members of the meeting.

A. Advisory Council:

- 1. The Board may provide for an Advisory Council of persons both inside and outside of Lionism whose expertise and services may be of value to the board and to the Corporation.
- 2. The President may appoint as many persons to the council as he deems beneficial, subject to the approval of the board.
- 3. Members of this council may attend all meetings of the Board and participate in discussions, but shall not have the right to vote. The President may invite members of the council to attend meetings of the Executive Committee or other board committees, but they shall have no vote in such meetings.

B. Other Committees:

- 1. There shall be six (6) three (3) standing committees, Board Members may choose a committee to serve on, if no choices are made, they will be appointed by the President. Special committees may be created for specific projects as deemed necessary by the board. Each committee will be responsible to meet and work on assigned tasks and the chairperson (appointed by the President) will report on progress on a timely basis as required by their assignment.
 - a. Finance Committee
 - b. Booster Committee
 - c. Facilities Committee
 - d. Strategic Planning Committee
 - e. Grant Committee
 - f. Community Relations Committee
- 2. The President and/or Executive Committee may appoint from the Directors and advisory council such other committees as they deem necessary, for such terms as are appropriate to their functions

Article Six Administration of Property

A. Contracts, Conveyances and Other Documents:

- 1. No person(s), Director(s), Officer(s) or agent(s) of the Corporation shall enter into any contract, written or otherwise, or execute and deliver any official instrument in the name of, or on behalf of the Corporation, without prior authorization by resolution of the Board.
- 2. The Executive Committee may authorize expenditures up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) in an emergency situation.

B. Checks, Drafts or Orders:

 All checks, drafts or orders for payment of money, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer(s) or agent(s) of the Corporation, in such manner as shall be determined by the Board, such instruments shall be signed by the President and or Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer or Executive Director.

A. Gifts of Funds and Property:

- The Board may approve acceptance, on behalf of the Corporation, any gift, contribution, bequest or devise it deems appropriate for any purpose of the Corporation. Any director who receives such an approved item on behalf of the Corporation shall turn it over to the Secretary Treasurer or appointed designee within ten (10) days of the receipt. The Treasurer or appointed designee Secretary shall issue a receipt, with thanks to the donor.
- 2. The Board may disapprove acceptance of gifts it deems inappropriate to the operation or mission of the Corporation.
- 3. The Secretary Treasurer shall keep permanent, written record of all gifts, contributions and bequests.
- 4. The Board shall have the power to take, hold and administer any and all securities that may be transferred to them, with full power and discretion to invest any principal and expend income from said sources as they judge best serves the purposes of the Corporation.
- 5. The Corporation shall have and exercise all powers conferred by the laws of the states and possessions of the United States wherein any property is held.

B. Authority to Borrow Money:

1. The Board shall have full power to borrow money when it deems it to be in the general interest of the Corporation. The Board shall designate the officers required to execute in the name of the Corporation such notes, bonds and other evidence of indebtedness as the board and lender shall agree to be proper. The Board shall have full power to mortgage the property of the Corporation, or any part thereof as security for such indebtedness

Article Seven Books and Records

A. Minutes:

1. The Corporation shall keep and preserve written records of the proceedings of the Board, the Executive Committee and all other committees having and exercising any authority of the Board.

B. Books of Account:

- 1. The Corporation shall keep correct and complete books of account for all financial matters.
- 2. The fiscal year of the of the Corporation shall begin at 12:01 AM
 - October 1 and shall end at midnight on September 30 each year.

C. Auditing of Books:

- 1. Within sixty (60) days of the end of each fiscal year, the financial records and accounts of the Corporation shall be audited in the manner directed by the Board.
- 2. The Audit shall be conducted by a certified public accounting firm. No Director of the Corporation shall have an interest in the accounting firm chosen to perform the audit.
- 3. A certified statement of audit shall be presented to the Board at the first Board Meeting following the sixty (60) day limit completed audit. Certified copies shall be sent to the Multiple District-21 Council of Governors, in the number requested, within ninety (90) one hundred and twenty (120) days of the end of the fiscal year.

D. Dues and Fees:

1.

No dues or initiation fee shall be imposed on any member of the Board.

Article Eight Nondiscrimination A. In rendering its functions and in exercising its purpose, the Corporation shall not practice or permit discrimination in employment, appointments to responsibilities, or otherwise, on the basis of sex, age, race, national origin, religion, physical handicap or disability.

Article Nine

Parliamentary Practices

A. Except as otherwise specifically provided in these bylaws, all questions of order or procedure with respect to any meeting or action of the Corporation, its Board of Directors or any committee appointed hereunder, shall be determined in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, as revised from time to time.

Article Ten Amendments of Bylaws

A. The bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by a vote two thirds (2/3) of the Directors present at any quorum meeting of the Board of Directors where a majority of the directors are present and voting if at least fifteen (15) days written notice is given of intention to alter, amend, repeal, or adopt new bylaws at such meeting. All changes of the bylaws shall be ratified by the general membership consisting of the certified delegates at the Multiple District–21 convention.

Article Eleven Adoption

A. These bylaws shall become effective on October 1 of the year in which they are approved by the Multiple District-21 convention delegates.

Changes/strikes made to original LS&HF Bylaws are black bold, italicized and grey highlighted

CHANGED WORDING AND PUNCTUATION HIGHLIGHTED IN YELLOW AND RED BOLD

Spacing was added before and after the dashes (-) in Articles

BY-LAWS OF ARIZONA LIONS VISION AND HEARING FOUNDATION OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 21 (Added ARIZONA, deleted SIGHT, added VISION, extended OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 21)

ARTICLE I - NAME, PURPOSE, OFFICES AND CORPORATE SEAL:

Section 1. The name of the Organization is ARIZONA LIONS VISION AND HEARING FOUNDATION OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 21 (hereinafter, the "Foundation). (Name change)

Section 2. This foundation has been formed and organized and shall always be operated as a nonprofit corporation, solely and exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. The principal objective of the Foundation shall be to make a significant contribution to the cause of conservation of sight and hearing, and to render assistance of all kinds, direct and indirect, to persons having visual and auditory problems. The Foundation is intended to be an entity through which all Lions Clubs in Multiple District 21 may coordinate and strengthen their efforts in these endeavors and maximize their effectiveness in the areas of sight and hearing conservation.

Section 3. The principal office of this corporation is in Maricopa County, Arizona. Offices may also be maintained at such other place or places as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors, where the business of the Corporation may be transacted, and regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held, with the same effect as though done or held at said principal office.

Section 4. The Corporation shall have a common seal, consisting of a circle, having on the circumference, "ARIZONA LIONS VISION AND HEARING FOUNDATION **OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 21**" and in the center, "ARIZONA INCORPORATED 1974". *(Replaced name change)*

ARTICLE II - MEETINGS:

Section 1. <u>Annual Meeting</u>. The annual meeting of the board of directors of the Foundation shall be held within 30 days of the conclusion of the Multiple District 21 Convention, at a time and place fixed in the notice of the meeting. *(Replaced members and during or immediately following)*

- A. The election of Directors shall be ratified.
- B. Officers for the year beginning July 1 and ending June 30 will be elected.
- C. The Budget for the next fiscal year will be presented for approval.
- D. Other business of the Board of Directors may be conducted if due notice is given.

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Directors at the third Board meeting. The Board of Directors shall decide whether the Director shall be removed or retained. Any member of the Board of Directors may be removed for cause. Removal shall require an affirmative vote from two-thirds (2/3) of the voting Board Members present and constituting a quorum. Charges for cause may be initiated by a Board member and must be in writing to the Board. Upon receipt, the President, or their designee shall investigate and present the facts to the Board of Directors, as a listed agenda item, at their next meeting.

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Section 1. An annual Financial Review or Audit shall be made of the books and records of this Foundation by a qualified outside auditor, as determined by the Board of Directors. This Financial Review or Audit is to be completed and presented to the Board of Directors, Council of Governors and Finance and Planning Committee of MD21 no later than 90 days after the end of the fiscal year.

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- C. <u>Second Vice President</u>. The Second Vice President shall have such duties as the President and the Board of Directors shall designate.
- D. <u>Third Vice President</u>. The Third Vice President shall have such duties as President and the Board of Directors shall designate.
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Section 2. <u>Employees</u>. The Board of Directors shall have the right and prerogative to engage the services of all employees who shall be compensated for services in an amount determined by the Executive Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. The duties of the employees shall be in accordance with job descriptions prepared by the Executive committee and approved by the Board of Directors. The Office Administrator may take the minutes of the meetings of the Foundation in the absence of the Board Secretary. The Executive Director and/or the Office Administrator must inform the Executive Board of all actions affecting the Foundation. In no way shall this absolve any of the Officers or Directors of the Foundation on their responsibilities as defined herein and in the Articles of Incorporation. *(Eliminated Office Manager and Office Assistant; Added in the absence of the Board Secretary and Executive Director and/or the; changed Manager to Administrator*]

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These Bylaws were voted on and approved May 20, 2018 at the MD-21 Convention.

Lion James Sterenberg

(Changed date and Lion to sign when approved)

BY-LAWS

OF

ARIZONA LIONS VISION AND HEARING FOUNDATION

(Added ARIZONA, deleted SIGHT, added VISION, deleted OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 21)

ARTICLE I- NAME, PURPOSE, OFFICES AND CORPORATE SEAL:

Section 1. The names of Organization is ARIZONA LIONS VISION AND HEARING FOUNDATION (hereinafter, the "Foundation). (Name change)

Section 2. This foundation has been formed and organized and shall always be operated as a nonprofit corporation, solely and exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. The principal objective of the Foundation shall be to make a significant contribution to the cause of conservation of sight and hearing, and to render assistance of all kinds, direct and indirect, to persons having visual and auditory problems. The Foundation is intended to be an entity through which all Lions Clubs in Multiple District 21 may coordinate and strengthen their efforts in these endeavors and maximize their effectiveness in the areas of sight and hearing conservation.

Section 3. The principal office of this corporation is in Maricopa County, Arizona. Offices may also be maintained at such other place or places as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors, where the business of the Corporation may be transacted, and regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held, with the same effect as though done or held at said principal office.

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ARTICLE II-MEETINGS:

Section 1. <u>Annual Meeting</u>: The annual meeting of the board of directors of the Foundation shall be held within 30 days of the conclusion of the multiple District 21 Convention, at a time and place fixed in the notice of the meeting. (Replaced members and during or immediately following)

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Lion James Sterenberg

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Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial Foundation PCC Ralph Williamson 3930 W. Camino Acequia, Phoenix, AZ 85051 602-622-2401 Email: Ralph@ctcaz.com



February 01, 2018

It's time once again to nominate strong, motivated Lions to run for positions on the Board of Directors of the MELVIN JONES LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL FOUNDATION.

This Foundation is the birth place of our founder, the Spire and the Museum maintains the legacy of Melvin Jones who was born in Ft. Thomas, Arizona.

There are

- 5 openings in D21-A (2-3 Yr. Terms, 2-2 Yr. Terms, 1-1 Yr. Term)
- 5 openings in D21-B (2-3 Yr. Terms, 2-2 Yr. Terms, 1-1 Yr. Term)
- 6 openings in D21-C (2-3 Yr. Terms, 2-2 Yr. Terms, 2-1 Yr. Terms)

We need Lions who are willing to devote time to actively assist the Foundation in its work to continue giving the best possible service to the Lions of the World by memorializing the birthplace of Melvin Jones.

- Directors are expected to attend all scheduled board meetings, normally three (3) held telephonically each year and one (1) face to face held at Ft. Thomas in January during the Annual Lions Rededication Program gathering.
- Actively participate in working on a committee.
- Devote their fund-raising efforts among the Lions Clubs.
- Visit Lions Clubs to educate the members to our needs.

If your Club has such an individual please submit his/her name by April 9, 2018 after your Club has formally nominated him/her (duly noted in the official minutes of your Club) by using the form provided in this issue. The election will be held at the Multiple District Convention in May of 2018.

If there are any questions regarding our work or the mission of our Foundation please call our office. Should you like us to present our program at your meeting or event please call the office to make the arrangements for one of our Directors to attend.

Yours in Lionism and Service,

Lion Ralph Williamson, PCC President



Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc. Request for Board Nominations

Dear Lion President:

Please inform your Club members the Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc. is seeking nominations to its Board of Directors. There are (10) vacancies on the Board as follows 21A District (2) 3 years, (1) 2 year, (1) 1 year, 21B District (2) 3 years, 21C District (1) 3 years and (4) 2 years for the fiscal year effective on July 1, 2018.

The Lions Foundation provides physical facilities to organizations serving the blind, deaf, and physically handicapped of Arizona. It is also the Information Office for the Lions of Arizona located in Phoenix. The Board meets monthly. The Board is looking for Lions members who have a background in real estate, insurance, money management or general business skills to help shape the direction of the Lions Foundation.

On the following form, please submit candidates' names, addresses, and a brief resume as soon as possible. All nominations must reach our office no later than April 6, 2018.

PDG Ann Roberts, Secretary Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc. 3124 E. Roosevelt Street, Suite 3 Phoenix, Arizona 85008

If anyone is interested in serving on the Board of Directors of the Lions Foundation of Arizona and would like more information, please contact Eddie Richardson at 602-244-9758 or email at Ifaaz@lionsfoundationarizona.org.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Mitch Rosenbaum, LFA Board President

Date:_____

PDG Ann Roberts , Secretary Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc. 3124 E Roosevelt St., Suite 3 Phoenix, Arizona 85008

Subject: Nomination to the Board of Directors

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AMAZING LEADERSHIP SUPPORT FROM THE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S ASSOCIATION (PDGA)!

If you don't believe in miracles nowadays – let me tell you about one. Imagine yourself as the Multiple District Global Leadership Chairperson (MD-GLT) with a slim budget. Then you get this big hairy idea up your sleeve about assisting Lions in MD21 who want to learn more about Lions and leadership. What better way to learn about leadership than attending a Lions Leadership Institute. Then along comes the PDGA with an offer to provide \$1,000 towards leadership development in the multiple district!



Sure, LCI has a website with tons of information, the multiple district has a website, and so does each district. You can't put a price on being in a classroom setting with about 30 Lions from the U.S and Canada and willing faculty to bring you the current information flow on so many leadership topics that concern you as a Lion and your quest to learn. Sure, it's 2018, and we have many modes of learning but some one-on-one and group activities really brings about the synergy that you can't get by researching a website.

Just strike up a conversation with any of the FOURTEEN Lions who really wanted to learn more about being a Lion; they'll tell you about the value they got for the money. They were supported by the MD and the PDGA who paid the \$125 participation fee. The MD-GLT put monies in the budget to pay this fee and there was such an overwhelming success in Lions wanting to attend that we went way over budget BUT then the PDGA so graciously donated monies for leadership development – divine intervention or just plain old good luck – you call it, I so appreciate it! The Lions who attended the institutes this past November owe much gratitude to the PDGA.

One more benefit to the MD, in January, we were fortunate to have a Lion attend the Lions Faculty Development Institute (FDI). Participation fee for that institute is \$150. If you are keeping count at this point I am \$900 over budget! With the PDGA donation I am back within budget. In case you don't know, monies from the PDGA are monies from the members of the PDGA – no fund raising, no budget from the MD – monies FROM the members. We are so thankful for their donation. Thank you for the opportunity to develop leaders for our next century of service to our community.

~ PDG Barbara Daily – MD-GLT ~

DISTRICT 21 A DG Phil Whitaker

"We Serve"

Not to complain, and not to start off this article with a complaint (I am lying - this is a complaint), but in my travels to clubs I have realized that very few Lions read the Canyon State Lion. Some are unaware we send it via email these days and for whatever reason they are not receiving it. Some do not realize what it is when they do receive it, and some cannot be bothered to read about Lions matters beyond their club. So I have favor to ask those of you who do read this: please print a copy and take a copy each month to your club and pass it around. I would hazard a guess that if our members knew all of the things that are going in our great state through our Clubs, it would generate lots of enthusiasm! We have a very large footprint in Arizona!

We have our State Convention approaching. Please have at least one member from each Club attend. We will have a Casino Night on Friday, and on Saturday night, we are having a formal dinner and will recognize our life members. If your club has a life member please try to have him or her attend!!! Our speakers on Saturday will be Arizona Supreme Court Justice Clint Bolick, who attended college with help from a Lions Scholarship, and International Director Alan Lundgren. Alan hails from 21B and will regale us with tales of woe and happiness from his work as International Director! Sunday we vote on a few items - one of which is the redistricting proposal. Please be sure your Club has paid all of its dues, has timely and appointed its delegate(s), and has decided whether to vote yes or no.

This summer the Nevada Lions Clubs are hosting the Lions Clubs International Convention in Las Vegas. June 29 through July 3, 2018. This is the website for the event: <<u>http://lions2018lasvegas.org/</u>>



Arizona will be staying at the MGM Grand Hotel. This is the link to hotel information: <<u>http://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/EN/attendees/</u> <u>hotels.php</u>>

2018 LCI Las Vegas Convention Registration and Hotel

REGISTRATION INFORMATION Registration Fee:

• Registration Fee through January 12, 2018 is US\$150 • From January 13 through March 31, 2018 the regular registration fee is US\$200 • April 1, 2018 through onsite registration, the fee is US\$225

Remember hotels will need to be booked as well. Arizona will be staying at the MGM Grand Hotel. Here is some of the information:

· Lions will be assigned to their delegation hotels on a firstcome, first-served basis (subject to availability) through January 12, 2018. · After January 12, Lions can choose their delegation hotel or a hotel based on rate or location (subject to availability). · In addition to at least one adult registration fee, a hotel deposit in the amount of US\$200 per room is required to make a reservation. The deposit is not the daily rate but will guarantee the reservation. The \$200 deposit will be credited to your guest folio at check out. · A minimum of 2 nights is required to book your housing with LCI. All LCI Hotels are non-smoking.

Remember, the Nevada Lions need our help! District 21A is next door - we all should make an effort to help them out. The volunteer registration page is: <<u>http://lions2018lasvegas.</u> org/convention-signup-sheet/las-vegasinternational-convention-2018-volunteerregistration-form/>



If you are hoping to go, please send in your registration, reserve your hotel, and sign up to volunteer! And consider carpooling or something similar – daily parking will be very expensive!

Does your Club offer scholarships? If so, please send the information to me (<u>pwhitaker@</u><u>skw-law.com</u>) or Paul Yopps (<u>yopprs@aol.</u> <u>com</u>) so we can track it. We are losing great PR opportunities by not getting this information out but we need to know what we are offering and we need to have a centralized resource for interested students to investigate. Wouldn't it great if we had a Facebook picture of every scholarship recipient from our District and our State? Wouldn't it be great if we could have media coverage of these scholarships and these recipients?

Please keep in mind that we have a 21-A Facebook page. Please let Breanne Berg of the Wickenburg Club know if you have any comments or would like to place material on the 21-A site! She can be reached at: <u>BRIEANNE98042@aol.com</u>

Check us out!

<u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> <u>arizonalionsdistrict21a/</u>

<u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> <u>LionsClubsOfArizona/</u>

We are having a great year!!! Thank you to everyone for your generous time, support, and care!

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GLENDALE EVENING LONGHAVEN LIONS CLUB SERVING THOSE IN NEED

Besides donating substantial amounts of food for the District 21A Food Drive in February, Glendale Evening Longhaven Lions Club have been donating a substantial amount of food throughout the years to The Ryan House. The Ryan House is a nonprofit pediatric respite and palliative care facility for children and their families as they manage their day to day living and end of life journey. There is no cost to the families for the services provided at The Ryan House. The Glendale Evening Longhaven Lions Club has continued to support the Ryan House over the past few years with their generous donations of food, money and service time. GST Paul Yopps, ZC Ellen Yopps, Lion Eleanor Walker, Lion Terry Lynch recently toured The Ryan House during the Club's recent March visit. Lions Eleanor, Terry Lynch and Anna Melcher are pictured with another volunteer at the facility. The Glendale Evening Longhaven Lions truly exemplifies the Lions with their service to those at the Ryan House.







HAPPENING NOW!

GILA BEND LIONS CANDY BAR SALE



BUY A \$2.00 CANDY BAR FROM ANY Gila Bend Lions member and receive a \$1.00 coupon off the purchase of a whole pizza at Gila Bend Food Mart. ALSO, get in on a chance to win a free pepperoni pizza! Additional details attached to the candy bar you purchase.

Call Lion Diane Dempsey to get your candy bars.

Coupons will expire April 16,2018 - Pizza Drawing April 17,2018

PEORIA, ARIZONA

Saturday April 21, 2018

Peoria Sunset Lions Club Foundation, Inc. Presents the 6th Annual Tee Off for Sight

Benefitting Arizona Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation & Peoria Sunset Lions Club Foundation



Palmbrook Country Club

9350 W. Greenway Road | Sun City, AZ Phone: 623.977.8333

Saturday April 21, 2018 Proceeds from this tournament will benefit vision projects of the **Peoria Sunset Lions Club Foundation** a 501(c) (3) volunteer organization serving those in the Peoria community since 1982. As Lions we strive to help those in need of vision and hearing screening, eyeglasses, hearing aids and surgery. We are also involved in working to eradicate preventable blindness at home and around the world.

Proceeds from this tournament will also benefit the **Arizona Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation**. The Foundation's primary goal is to restore vision and/or hearing to improve the quality of life of those with no other resources. 4 Person Scramble



Palmbrook Country Club Golf Course

Join Us on April 21, 2018 for fun, food and golf!

Registration deadline April 15, 2018.

Best Ball Tournament to benefit Peoria Sunset Lions Foundation Vision Projects as well as the Arizona Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation, which will use proceeds to provide eye surgeries to those in need.

Registration 6:30am – shotgun start 8:00am

\$100 per golfer or set up a foursome for \$360. Fee includes golf, cart and lunch.

Sponsorships available.

Prizes for: First Place Team closest to the pin Longest drive (men & women) Longest putt

More information and registration forms available on our website – peoriasunsetlions.org

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Palmbrook Country Club

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Saturday, April 21, 2018

Your registration includes an Awards Luncheon.

Available for purchase: Mulligans (3 for \$10) Paint Sticks (\$10/team)

Raffle Tickets (6 for \$5) 50/50 Tickets (\$5 each)

Prizes awarded for:

First Place Team Closest to the Pin Longest Drive (Men & Women) Longest Putt Marshmallow Mash benefitting Leader Dogs for the Blind

Proceeds from this tournament will benefit the **Peoria Sunset Lions Club** Foundation vision projects and the Arizona Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation.

Fifth Annual Tee Off for Sight- 4 Person Scramble

Registration - 6:30am Shotgun Start – 8:00am **Registration Deadline 4/15/2018**

Registration Information

- _____ Title Sponsor \$5000 Platinum Sponsor \$2500 ____ Titanium Sponsor \$1000 Gold Sponsor \$700 _____ Silver Sponsor \$400 _____ Hole Sponsor \$200
 - Individual Golfers \$100
 - Foursome \$360

Contact Pers	on:	 	
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Telephone: _		 	
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Foursome:		
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PayPal Payments are accepted.

peoriasunsetlions@gmail.com

Credit card payments are accepted. Please give the following information:

Card # Exp. ____/___ (MM/YY) CCV _____ Zip_____ (This information will be deleted after the charge clears)

Please make your checks payable to Peoria Sunset Lions Club Foundation and return checks and forms to:

Peoria Sunset Lions Club Foundation PO Box 326 Peoria, AZ 85380-0326

Questions? Call Rachelle Barrett at 623-974-3239 - email rarebit@cox.net

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4 Person Scramble

Palmbrook Country Club Golf Course

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Title Sponsor.....**\$5,000** Two foursomes, including lunch & reception. Four tee sponsorship signs. Company name & logo on event signage as well as in the event program. Verbal recognition at reception. Sponsor provided advertising materials will be included in event giveaway bags.

Platinum Sponsor.....**\$2,500** Foursome, including lunch & reception. Three tee sponsorship signs. Company name on event signage as well as in the event program. Verbal recognition at reception.

Titanium Sponsor.....**\$1,000** Foursome, including lunch & reception. Two tee sponsorships signs as well as company name and logo in the event program. Verbal recognition at reception.

Gold Sponsor......**\$700** Foursome, including lunch & reception. One tee sponsorship sign. Company name & logo in event program

Silver Sponsor......**\$400** Twosome, including lunch & reception. One tee sponsorship sign. Company name in event program.

Tee Sign Sponsors\$200Individual recognition at one hole. Name on tee sponsorship list.Individual Golfers\$100Foursome\$360

For more information, contact Lion Rachelle Barrett, Tournament Chairman, 623-974-3239 or rarebit@cox.net

Sun City Midweek Bell Lion Honored

Lion Becky White, a member of the Sun City Midweek Bells Lions club, was recently honored with a very prestigious award. She received a Presidential Certificate of appreciation. This was award generated by District Governor Phil Whitaker. She was awarded this for all her outstanding work in Lions. The award is the fourth highest award in Lions. Lion Becky serves her club in numerous activities and offices, and this year served as a Zone chair for District 21A. Pictured in photo are Lion Becky and PID Dave Roberts who made the presentation for the District Governor.



The Sun City Resource Network Expo "Neighbor Helping Neighbor Event"



The Sun City Midweek Bell Lions Club attended 'The Sun City Resource Network Expo "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" event which was held at Palmbrook Country Club on March 12, 2018. The event was designed to provide an awareness of services for residents who may need them. Numerous service organizations were in attendance. This type of event provides information, as well as, contact information for those that may need some type of service. Several speakers were in attendance also and provided great information. "Manning" the booth were Lion John Dietz pictured and Lion Jan Wagner, not pictured.

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Buckeye Festival Lions Club Fundraiser A Success

Buckeye Festival Lions purchased two book carts with proceeds from first spaghetti supper. Kids made it all worthwhile.

We are an 11 member Lions branch club

of the Buckeye Lions Club. We had our first fundraiser for Foothills Elementary School. The food was great, we worked like a cohesive team, and best of all, we had FUN! We are going to grow.

PDG Chris Halsey, President Buckeye Festival Lions



FLAGS FOR FIRST GRADERS DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE YOUR FLAGS READY FOR YOU? JUST CALL LION KAREN PRYCE AT 480-703-3097 OR LION BARBARA SHINE AT 602-725-0167 OR E-MAIL <u>PRYCEONE@AOL.COM</u> AND WE WILL BRING THE FLAGS TO YOU. ONLY 25 CENTS PER FLAG TO SUPPORT 21A.



Buckeye Lions Foundation

501(c)3Organization, TaxID#30-0581631

19th Annual Golf Tournament

18-Hole, "Best Ball" Format

Location: SUNDANCE GOLF CLUB 900 S. Sundance Parkway, Buckeye, AZ

Saturday, April 21, 2018 6:30 am Check-in / 7:30 am Shotgun Start

Greens Fee, Cart & Lunch included with Registration

All monies raised fund Lions community service projects, like eye glasses and exams for those in need, and U.S. flags for first graders. Lions also fund youth activities such as Boys & Girls State, and scholarships for 8th graders and high school seniors in the greater Buckeye Valley.

\$60 per Player / \$240 per Foursome

Player 1:	Player 2:	
Email:	Email:	
Player 3:	Player 4:	
Email:	Email:	
Captain's Name:		
Phone #/Email:		

DEADLINE: April 13, 2018

All registrants that submit payment by deadline will receive a goody bag at check-in.



Please make checks payable to "Buckeye Lions Foundation" Mail with this form to: Buckeye Lions Foundation P.O. Box 26 Buckeye, AZ 85326

CONTACT: Richard Hopkins 623-298-3150, email: BuckeyeLions@yahoo.com

Mulligan tickets and Raffle tickets available at check-in!

You may enter either as an individual or as a team. Please enter your name. If you are entering as a team, please complete the names of the entire foursome:

NAME(S):

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Charity: Net proceeds from this tournament will be used to provide assistance for economically challenged children and families in our community. Many children with impaired vision go without corrective lenses because their parents cannot afford to purchase glasses. Our clubs are responding to the needs of children in approximately 55 schools throughout the valley. Over 500 children received eye exams and eyeglasses through our Foundations during fiscal year 2017.

Pride of the Lions Charity Golf Tournament

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018 ORANGE TREE GOLF CLUB 10601 NORTH 56TH STREET SCOTTSDALE, AZ 86254

Time: 6:30 a.m. Registration & Warm-up 7:30 a.m. Shotgun Start

Luncheon and raffle immediately following the Tournament-- Great Prizes!

Format: Four (4) Person Scramble

Purchase the \$40 Package in advance with your Registration and receive two (2) free raffle tickets for each golfer in your registration. The \$40 Package includes six (6) raffle tickets, two (2) mulligan tickets and one (1) putting contest ticket. The \$40 package has a value of \$60 if each ticket were purchased separately.

\$40	PACKAGES
EACH	\$ 40
FOUR	\$160

Winner Trophies will be awarded to the teams with the lowest gross score and lowest net score. Trophies will also be awarded for farthest drive, closest to the pin and the winner of the putting contest.

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The North Phoenix Lions Club Foundation is designated as a Charitable 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. Charitable gifts are tax deductible to the extent provided by law.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL:

SCOTT BOYER	602-768-1355
DAVID DE NITTO	602-952-5150
HOWARD ARNTZ	602-881-8820
JOHN MILLER	602-418-3703

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

PLATINUM SPONSOR---\$5,000

Recognition of your company in promotional materials, event signage, tournament program, hole sponsor, longest drive hole, longest putt hole, closest to the pin hole, and during the awards luncheon. Includes three (3) foursomes of golf, carts and twelve (12) luncheons.

GOLD SPONSOR--- \$2,500

Recognition of your company in promotional materials, event signage, tournament program, hole sponsor, and during the awards luncheon. Includes two (2) foursomes of golf, carts and eight (6) luncheons.

SILVER SPONSOR---- \$1,000

Recognition of your company in tournament program and on a tee box sign. Includes one (1) foursome of golf, carts and four (4) lunckeons.

HOLE SPONSOR --- \$600

Includes green fees, cart and luncheon for four (4) golfers and a tee box sign with company name.

HOLE SPONSOR WITHOUT GOLF --- \$150

Includes a tee box sign with Company name.

PLAYER(S) \$125 per Golfer for Individual \$500 per Team for Foursome (4) Includes greens fees, cart, and luncheon immediately following the event.

DONATION ONLY

Sorry, I am unable to participate in this event. Enclosed is my \$_____tax deductible donation. PRIDE of the LIONS CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT 2018



ORANGE TREE GOLF CLUB 10601 NORTH 56TH STREET SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85254 Saturday MAY 5, 2018 7:30 AM Shotgun Start

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2018.

PAYMENT <u>MUST</u> ACCOMPANY YOUR ENTRY IN ORDER TO BE INCLUDED IN THE TOURNAMENT.

Make Checks Payable to: North Phoenix Lions Club Foundation Attn: Scott Boyer c/o National Document 300 W. Clarendon Ave., Ste. 240 Phoenix, AZ 85013

ENTRY FORM	
Platinum Sponsor	\$5,000
Gold Sponsor	\$2,500
Silver Sponsor	\$1,000
Hole Sponsor with golf	\$600
Hale sponsor without golf	\$150
Individual Player	\$125
Foursome Team	\$500
Donation only	\$
\$40 Package	
Quantity @ \$40 each	\$
Total	\$

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DISTRICT 21 B DG Bobbie Ravenkamp

Kindness Matters

Embracing change....

Overcoming hurdles for sustaining club success necessitates adapting to changes in the ways that clubs have previously functioned.

This Lionistic year the introduction of the Global Action Team (GAT) and updates to the standard club Constitution and By-Laws (C&BL) have challenged all of our clubs. Most are still reviewing their options in filling new board positions, especially for the Club Service Chairperson, LCIF Coordinator, and Marketing Communications Chairperson. In addition, there are new leadership chairperson responsibilities for the club 1st Vice President and the club president as chairman of the club's Global Action Team are also spelled out in the updated C&BL as well as new committees of Constitution & By-Laws, Information Technology that also report to the club's Board of Directors along with a Program Coordinator, any Branch President and other elected directors and chairpersons.

Why? These changes are enhancements

designed to grow our leadership pool and to take advantage of the technology employed by LCI worldwide in meeting the vision that one day every need in the world will be served by a Lion or Leo with clubs at the center of the action.

Remembering that we are in the business of service, yes, business, means that we should and can re-structure our clubs in a business perspective. No, there isn't a requirement to own a computer, maintain an e-mail account nor carry a smart phone to be a Lion. However, businesses in 2018 are firmly planted in the speed of the digital age of available technology. Last July LCI introduced the smartphone mobile app, MyLION, to provide a platform for coordinating and publicizing service activities and is improving as it is introduced to more countries, depending upon available digital connectivity.

Yes, many of our clubs currently lack the available members to fill all of these positions. Yes, most clubs will have to double up on these positions until we can grow. These



designations for club officer positions will provide the information pipeline for our clubs to and from LCI and district GAT members. I strongly recommend that club leaders download the Global Action Team Success Guide and keep it on your desktop screen – it's a terrific resource that provides resource links to information at the master LCI website, <u>www.</u> <u>lionsclubs.org</u>.

Starting specialty clubs or branch clubs are also recommended methods for expanding our service opportunities within our communities. Contact our Global Membership Team (GMT) MD-21 coordinator, PDG Larry Palmer for ideas. Hope to see many of you at our 21-B Convention!

Thank you,

Bobbie Ravenkamp District Governor Arizona Lions District 21-B 918-705-1227 bobbieravenkamp@hotmail.com

50/50 LETS CELEBRATE

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is 50 years old this year. Lets celebrate by recognizing at least 50 new Melvin Jones Fellows and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows for this year at the MD Convention in May.

Please notify PDG Fred Garmeson of the Lion's name when your club presents a Melvin Jones Fellowship or Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship. If a member earns enough credits for a MJF/PMJF please encourage them to request it. If you want the MJF/PMJF presented at the MD Convnetion, please let Lion Fred know. If you have any question, feel free to contact him. Lion Fred can be contacted by e-mail at garmesonfaz@aol.com or phone number 480-895-9363.





As part of the 2017 District 21-B Convention at Apache Gold Casino Resort, we have arranged special pricing for all Lions attendees who wish to play the acclaimed Apache Stronghold Golf Course.

On Friday, April 6, and again on Sunday, April 8, Lions who are attending the convention may play golf for \$30. This price includes green fees, cart and range.

Apache Stronghold Golf Course is the only Tom Doak-designed golf course in the Southwest and rated the 16th Best Course You Can Play in Arizona in 2017 by GolfWeek Magazine. It has large, rolling bentgrass greens and bermudagrass fairways. With five sets of tees and yardages ranging from 5535 – 7519 yards, everyone can find a distance that provides challenge and enjoyment. The expansive fairways are naturally routed through canyons and up ridges. While no water is present on the course, there are eight holes where shots must carry desert washes.

To make your tee times call (928) 475-7664 and tell the Golf Shop you are a Lion attending the District 21-B Convention.

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FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER		x \$21.00 = \$
SATURDAY LUNCHEON & Guest Speaker		x \$18.00 = \$
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Make check(s) payable to Dist. 21-B Convention and mail to: Dist. 21-B Convention, c/o Carol Rosinke, 3925 E. Forge Ave., Mesa, AZ 85206call Carol 480 751-8320 or email: <u>lioncarolr21b@hotmail.com</u>

- Call Apache Gold Hotel for reservations before March 15, 2018. Room Rates: \$85.00 plus Tax (Regular room); Reservation code: 180406Lion 928 475-7800 ext 3600
- RV Park spaces are available at \$27/night plus tax. Call (928) 475-7800 ext 3515 for reservations and tell them you are attending the Lions convention.
- The Apache Stronghold Golf Course was rated the 16th Best Course You Can Play in Arizona by GolfWeek Magazine in 2017. On Friday, April 6 and Sunday, April 8, a special golf rate of \$30 will be extended to those Lions attending the District 21B Convention. This rate includes your green fees, cart and range. Call (928) 475-7664 to book your tee time and let them know you are attending the Lions convention to receive the special offer.



DISTRICT 21-B CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOK



REMIT check by mail: PDG Barbara Daily 8070 E. Calle de Camacho Tucson, AZ 85715

Need other info – call 520 954-0411

- email ad copy to: <u>bebopp2002@yahoo.com</u>

Want to send a congrats out to a member, your club, anyone? Want to advertise an upcoming event your club is doing? Want to advertise your business? Consider sharing in the 21-B Convention Program Book – great rates and your fellow Lions would like to know what's going on!

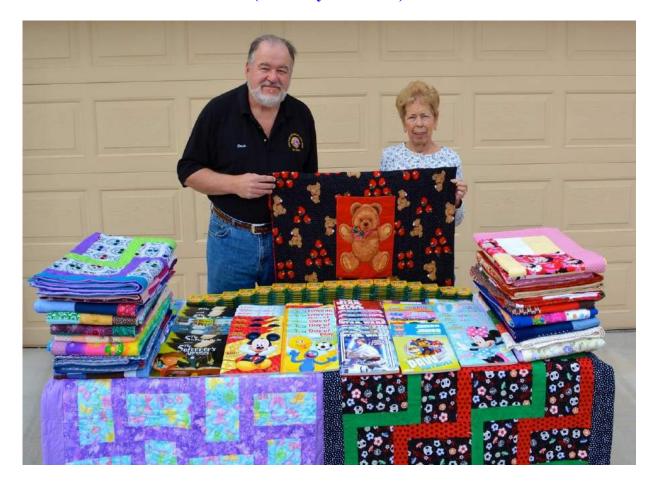
Please submit the cost and Ad that you want to place (by March 23rd) in the district program book (Book size 8 1/2 by 5 1/2) on a separate sheet of paper or email (jpg, .doc, etc.):

Full Page	\$ 75.00	
One half page	\$ 40.00	
One fourth page	\$ 20.00	
Business Cards	\$ 10.00	

TOTAL: \$ _____

The Sun Lakes Breakfast Lions Club in connection with the Sun Lakes Quilting Ladies and the Arizona Blankets 4 Kids recently donated to the Banner Cardon Children's Medical Center. The SLBLC which donates funds for the material used for the blankets for the children also adds 100 coloring books, 100 crayon boxes and 50 reading books as part of the Lions Club International's Action Reading Program.

"If this helps make a child's day a little bit brighter, a little happier, it's well worth it" said Brian Curry, President of the Sun Lakes Breakfast Lions Club pictured (left) with Joyce Davey representing the Sun Lakes Quilting Ladies.



(Photo by Lion MD)

International Convention Las Vegas Volunteers Neede0d!

The 101st Lions International Annual Convention is rapidly approaching and volunteers are still needed to support several Host Committee functions. Many thanks to the MD21 Lions who have already registered to volunteer in functions such as Hospitality, Parade, Souvenir Sales, Ambassadors and more. We greatly appreciate the support of our neighboring state.

I encourage those who have not registered to volunteer to visit the Host Committee website at <u>www.lions2018lasvegas.org</u> to register online. You may select your preferred functions and the days and time periods best suited to you. As an additional incentive we can offer a reduced convention registration rate for volunteers who have not yet registered. Simply register as a volunteer, then email <u>lcicon2018@gmail.com</u>. State you have registered as a volunteer and would like the Volunteer Registration form. We will send you a registration form that provides the early registration rate of \$150 rather than the current \$200. You can't go wrong. Convention volunteering is fun and rewarding.

I look forward to seeing our Arizona friends in Las Vegas. Please consider helping out and together we will make this an unforgettable event.

PID Jack Epperson Host Committee Chairman



Sunday, May 6, 2018 Forty Niner Country Club

12000 E. Tanque Verde Rd. Tucson, AZ.

Registration 7:00 AM Shot Gun Start 8:00 AM tucsonbreakgfastlionsclub.org www.driveforesight.org

Contact: Lion Pete -520-747-5957 Lion Dom -520-323-2522

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- LCIF is a 501(c)3 organization
- LCIF is OUR charity
- · LCIF does not get any money from Lions member dues
- All donations to LCIF are tax deductible
- · Undesignated donations to LCIF earn Melvin Jones Fellowship credits
- Individual Lions earn MJF credits for their donations
- Individual Lions' donations are included in their club's donation report
- You don't need to donate \$1000 at one time to earn enough MJF credits for a Fellowship. Small donations accumulate MJF credits
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 request it and designate the recipient

How many, "I knew that's" did you have? How many, "Wow, I learned something new" did you have? Want to know more? Contact your LCIF District Coordinator or you MD Coordinator.

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21-B Kickoff Cabinet Meeting Saturday August 04,2018

Sunbird Golf Resort Ballroom 6250 S. Sunbird Blvd. Chandler, AZ 85249



Registration 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM ~ Cabinet Meeting to Start @ 9:30 AM

Registration deadline July 20, 2017

(If lodging is needed, the nearest Hotel is the Holiday Inn Express on Alma School Rd. & Ocotillo Rd., about 5 miles from Sunbird Golf Resort. Call 480–203–2121 for more information)

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DISTRICT 21C DG Ken Leja Wow! What a Great Day!

The "Conference in the Pines" was truly a roaring success! The annual convention of District 21-C was hosted Saturday, March 24, in Payson. As evident in the pictures shown here and on the next page, everyone had a great time

as almost 30 clubs and more than 130 Lions, Lioness, Leos and Cubs attended the day-long activity -- including our guest International Director Bruce Beck and his lovely wife Erin.

What a blast! Highlight was the "Club Service Expo" where the lodge of the Mt. Cross Lutheran Church was overflowing with displays of service projects, club activities, fundraising events and informational literature showcasing the vast diversity of engagement Lions have in their respective communities.

The displays were marvelous, and everyone enjoyed the networking and sharing opportunity to learn more

These photos reflect some of the fun, reactions to entertaining presentations, and the enthusiasm of attendees to the "Conference in the Pines." ID Bruce Beck shared an entertaining look at the Global Action Team program, as well as a luncheon program, assisted in presenting Lions recognitions, joined in the reverie, and with his wife Erin made a terrific "hit" and impact with Lions at the D21-C Convention. Our personal and heartfelt thanks to ID Bruce and Lion Erin for making this conclave a FUN and memorable experience. If you weren't here, you truly missed out on a GREAT TIME in the Pines!

about ways to engage locally.

Kudos to Lions Donna Harris, Laura Wonderly and the many members of the Payson and Overgaard-Ponderosa clubs who assisted in making this Convention a rousing, raucus, and riproarin' respite in the Pines. Truly a remarkable experience.

Congratulations also to our new officers for next year that were elected at the event: **R. Doug Harris** of Overgaard-Ponderosa, district governor-elect; **Marie Cunning** of Phoenix Barangay, first vice district governor-elect; and **Chuck Matthews** of Prescott Noon, second vice district governor-elect.



Ken Leja, district governor D21-C, 2017-2018



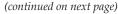
× Redistricting.

The Redistricting issue remains a "hot topic." At the D21-C convention, PID John Walker defended the current balloting process as, "The way we do it!", which requires delegate registration and attendance at the voting site, separate rooms to conduct district balloting, and a specific 'window' of time to accommodate voting -- that is, Sunday morning, May 20, after the district cabinet meetings.

PID John chose to rebutt issues I had raised concerning the exclusion of Lions from the voting process, as expressed in last month's issue of *Canyon State Lion*. He chose to enumerate in-detail the current, accepted process that he has shared these past three years as Area GLT indoctrinating incoming district leadership on LCI rules, regulations and policies.

Quite simply, he's correct -- those <u>are</u> the centuried precepts still enforced in this 21st century. Because they "are" doesn't make them right! In representing D21-C as district governor, I have been vocal in calling for change to engage our younger members -- to embrace the "LCI Forward" effort to accept technology and 2018 business practices and precepts into Lions' actions -- and not languish in the past.

In my opinion, the existing voting process favors only the few, engaged attendees, and will not answer: *Do Lions of Arizona favor or oppose redistricting?* As a DG, I agreed we should identify "...the will of Lions members in the state.





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Redistricting. It's More than an Administrative Move

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Let them decide whether to consider redistricting or not."

The way we're going about it, however, it will <u>not</u> be a representative majority of members voting.

In the history of the multiple district, no ballot measure has ever been defeated, said PCC Sally Hanson last year. In that history, voting always reflected the few - those engaged, informed, and in attendance.

I've shared with 21 clubs (of the 45 in my district) the importance of this balloting in May. I'm scheduled to meet with another nine in April, and this is my message:

It's not fair, but it's the only way at this time. As such, get informed, become engaged, and be in Ahwatukee to vote your club members' wishes.

I've not recommended HOW to vote, only <u>TO</u> vote!

....and to start "the change" effort!

An Antiquated System

Our system of voting is antiquated. Lions' focus on being there to vote is a reflection of the International Convention. As such, make it



convenient throughout the event --not the last day, a sabbath, and when typical attendance is 30%.

When that vote is supposed to capture the 'voice of the membership,' don't make it the elitist minimum -- offer alternatives.

Don't accept "This is the way we've always done it." If it doesn't work, fix it.

Don't throw away the right to vote by ignoring it. Start by asking for intelligent options, that might include absentee balloting, proxy voting, and online technology. This is 2018.

An Administrative Change?

Don't accept that "this (redistricting) is only an administrative change."

It goes beyond simple numbers on a spreadsheet, benchmark numbers prescribed back in the 1950s, boundary lines that favor politics - not community.

Don't think that this vote changes anything, but allow a district governor to be reimbursed for a spouse's expenses to a Lions event.

Don't take as gospel that it qualifies any area to set forth a candidate for International Office. Why?

Redistricting does not solve the problem of dwindling membership. In the past decade, multiple districts across the country have resized, compacted and reassigned boundaries -- and ALL have continued to drop in membership.

Redistricting is not a solution, it's a bandaid. Our declining membership -- in our district, in our state, in our country and constitutional area -- reflect a lack of engagement.

Best-Kept Secret

We've all heard the adage, "Lions are the best-kept secret." We do what we do without fanfare.

Our membership teams bring in new members... but many walk out the back door due to in-club politics, lack of meaningful program, inattention to serving the community, and more excuses.

For me, the best business adage is: "If you want things to change, you have to change!"

Some of our rules, regulations and policies -- those that favor the *preferiti* -- do not engender nor engage our new members. Make that change.

Some of our newer members have great ideas. Make a change, and give 'em a chance.

Some of our best new members are walking out the back door. Find out what'll make them change their minds... and it might have to start with you!



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2018

April	6-8	21B Convention 3rd Council Meeting (following 21B Convention)		Carol Rosinke 480 751-8320 lioncarolr21b@hotmail.com
April	21	Peoria Sunset Lions Club annual golf tournament, Tee for Sight	Peoria	Rachell Barrett 623 974-3239 rarebit@cox.net
April	21	Buckeye Lions Foundation	Buckeye	Richard Hopkins 623 298-3150 BuckeyeLions@yahoo.com
April	29	2VDG/CS/CT School	Phoenix	
May	5	Pride of the Lions Charity Golf Tournament North Phoenix Lions Club	Scottsdale	Scott Boyer 602 768=1355 David De Nitto 602 952-5150 Howard Arntz 602 881-8820 John Miller 602 418-3703
May	6	Tucson BreakfastLions Club Drive 'Fore' Sight Golf Classic	Tucson	Pete 520 747-5957 Dom 520 323-2522
May	18-20	MD21 State Convention 4th Council Meeting	Ahwatukee	Linda Finley 602 999-5797 Debbie Vine 602 390-0656
June	30-4 July	International Convention	Las Vegas	

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