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ASU Lions Take on Homecoming

Submitted by JamieLee Richardson

The ASU Lions Campus Club came together on October 22, 2016 to construct a float and present it in the Arizona State University Homecoming Parade, which took place just before the very much anticipated football game. ASU Campus Lions put together a stellar float, which was presented to over 1,000 ASU alumni, "Future Sun Devils" (some who have not even learned to walk yet, but are already deemed as Sun Devils of ASU), and current university students. Prior to the parade, these campus Lions met several times in between classes, work, and other extracurricular responsibilities in order to meet the quality standards of an ASU Homecoming Parade and of the exceptional work that Lions produce. The goal of the parade is to make the student body aware that they have several opportunities for them to become involved awaiting at their fingertips, to keep alumni in the loop as to what continues to occur at their alma mater, and to ignite a spark in the Future Sun Devils who are watching in hopes that they will want to, one day, become a part of "the inferno". The ASU Lions roared throughout the entire procession, cheering alongside their peers and spreading Lionism as they stood on top of their float. At each stop during the parade, the announcer introduced the club with the following words: "[They assist their peers] and the world every day because they share a core belief to serve their community". This is what ASU Lions is known for on campus, and what will continue to be what they stand for through Lionism as well as Sun Devil spirit. There is nothing like a Sun Devil who serves!



Pictured below Left to right ASU Campus Lions Club Members:Green Ge, Natalie Wilson, JamieLee Richardson, Kazuaki Kashiwara and Jordan Lundgren.



“Climbing NEW Mountains” with ID Alan

November 2017 -

October 12th – 17th, International Board of Directors Meeting, Nashville, TN

Having just returned from the Fall International Board Meeting in Nashville, TN, I wanted to share with the Lions of MD21 some of the salient points that will affect the Lions of Arizona as we move forward.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE:

First on the list is the approved changes to the 2017 Chicago Convention Schedule.

In an attempt to increase the attendance at the 2nd Plenary Session on Monday, the ‘business’ matters are being removed and a special Business Session added on Saturday FOLLOWING the parade. At this time all of the necessary business matters, such as the report of Constitution & By-Laws, Certification, etc. of the convention will be handled, INCLUDING the nominations for International Director.

The Opening Plenary Session on Sunday, will now have the Presidential Address, Keynote Speaker, International Parade Results, Nominations for Third Vice President and special entertainment.

The Second Plenary Session on Monday, will now have the Flag Ceremony, Memorial Service and a Keynote Speaker and special entertainment.

The Final Plenary Session on Tuesday will remain the same.

Another major change is the Revised Elections Procedures. Effective with the Chicago Convention, all Certification AND Voting will be COMBINED. Rather than certification being open beginning on Friday, Certification AND simultaneous VOTING will commence on Sunday from 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm; Monday from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm; and Tuesday from 7:30 am to 10:30 am.

LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Beginning with the 2019 (Milan) DGE Seminar a five-year pilot plan will commence moving the DGE Seminar to a fixed location near headquarters and will be presented earlier in the year, approximately February. This is designed to save costs and to complete the DGE Training PRIOR to arrival at the International Convention each year.

MARKETING / COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Approved the four year digital marketing plan to put LIONS marketing into the 21st Century.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Approved diabetes as the 5th Service Campaign area to be added to the Centennial Service Challenge effective during the final year of the centennial from July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018.

Revised Chapter XXII of the Standard Leo Club Constitution to update the allowable term of the Leo Club President to up to a maximum of 3 years.

MY SCHEDULE...

November 4th-6th, District 31 I, Winton-Salem, NC – DG Clarence & Elizabeth Conrad

November 11th-13th, District 20 O, New York – DG Mark Jones

November 18th-21st, Medical Mission, Caborca, Mexico

November 24th – HAPPY THANKSGIVING

DECEMBER – MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR



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November 12, 2016

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INDIVIDUAL, MEMORIAL or HONORARY TO A VETERAN \$50.

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OR Contact Lion Fred Garmeson 480-895-9363 before 11/01/16

Counselor Testimonies

Submitted by: Pam Swanson, Executive Director, LCT

My name is Jorge Pizano,

I'm from Yuma, Arizona and my experience with Camp Tatiyee was nothing less than life changing!

Like many camp counselors I met at camp Tatiyee this past summer, I have never worked with people with disabilities or did I ever see myself wanting to work with them. I was one of hundreds of people who thought that working with disabilities was for people who had that special passion, patience and love.

I got hired, only to be more nervous of what was to come. I knew this was something I wanted to experience and that whatever the outcomes would be for this summer would be life changing.

Meeting the staff was so comforting. A whole bunch of college students just like myself eager to see what the summer had in store for us.

Training was a blast, I had a lot of eye opening experiences and although I felt prepared, I still felt butterflies in my stomach, uncertain of what was to come.

Needless to say, I worried for nothing!! Week after week my experiences with campers kept getting better! Seeing them happy, social, being funny and comfortable punched me right in the face, thinking, why is it they have to come to camp to experience this? Why can't they feel normal and free in the real world? Why is society so afraid of people with disabilities?

All my expectations on what I thought camp Tatiyee was, didn't come near to what Camp Tatiyee actually is. Camp Tatiyee taught me so much more than I expected, skills and techniques I am not quite sure I can explain on a resume. I met outstanding people, counselors as well as campers who inspired me and have encouraged me to change the world. To change people's way of thinking, behavior and to share awareness one step at a time. I believe change starts in the most intimate spaces and it starts with the people you surround yourself with.

I left camp Tatiyee with a different mentality, a more open minded and optimistic person. Never before have I strived so much to see people with respect



OPPORTUNITIES AROUND FOR ALL!

(Synopsis of what's available)

Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) - Lions in good standing who have successfully served on a club committee and who have not yet attained the level of club president.

Date: January 21 – 24, 2017 Chicago, IL

Submission Deadline: November 7, 2016

WHO? Anyone wanting an opportunity for growth in Lions
WHAT? Emerging Lions, Advanced Lions, and Faculty Development
WHERE? Chicago
WHEN? January 2017
WHY? We need more leaders; we need new ideas; Why not?!!

Applications are online - Contact your district leadership coordinator or go here for more information: <http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/development-programs/index.php>

UPDATE ON THE MELVIN JONES INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL

Submitted by President Ralph Williamson

Mark your calendars for the January 14, 2017 annual Lions re-dedication day at the MJLIM with our guest LCI 1st V.P. Dr. Naresh and his wife Navita who is also a MJF. The re-dedication in January will be a different venue than in the past. We will have a Steak & Chicken luncheon at the Firehouse put on by the MJLIM which will also save extra travel time for you and we will be presenting some new programs.

On behalf of the board of directors and myself, we thank you for all the support that you given us in the past, are giving us now and will give us in the future.

The following article of history was in the September 1968 Arizona Highways Magazine and was given to PDG Bob Jones by Michael Goldwater son of Barry Goldwater then given it to me. I thank both of them for giving this information to us.

Whatever the community of Fort Thomas, in Graham County, may lack in the way of population, businesses and homes, it more than compensates for this deficiency with excellent school facilities and an impressive historical background.

Near at hand are the few remains of the military post which spawned this once collection of stores, newspaper, restaurants, and saloons successively called Clantonville, Camp Thomas, Maxey and Fort Thomas.

Some of Arizona's most widely publicized range-ridin' roughs – the Clantons, McLowerys, Curly Bill, John Ringo, Joe Hill – knew well this many-named frontier hamlet, and a few of its rascals, such as Dick Lloyd, still occupy a niche in its cemetery. Early as 1873 the Newman H. Clanton family of Tombstone fame farmed near the old Hooker-Hines canal located just north of present-day Fort Thomas.

And the town had its good guys – the Jones, Dan Ming, Felix McEuen, the Alexander brothers – as well as its bad guys. On April 2, 1875, the Martin and Melvin Jones families arrived in the Springerville, Arizona, area and commenced ranching. In 1877 they moved their cattle to the Gila Valley after purchasing the Clanton place.

Preceding them to the Camp Thomas area by a year was John Calvin Jones and Lydia M. Jones, who were married in Kansas in 1874. John Calvin and Melvin were Martin's sons.

While John Calvin Jones was never officially in the army, he was often called Captain because of his work with the Apache scouts, and at one time he was in charge of the wagon trains which hauled supplies to Camp Thomas. His various assignments with the military and the Jones ranch are factors which lend confusion as to the actual birthplace of the founder of Lions International who was Melvin Jones, son of Lydia and John Calvin Jones, born January 13, 1879, either at the military post or at the Jones ranch.

In discussing this question during several Fort Thomas visits in the 1950's, the white-maned Lion Club leader believed the military post was his birthplace, but he may have been born at his grandparent's home.

His most vivid memory relating to his Fort Thomas days concerns a spanking he received at the age of three for running away from home with his dog to the nearby Gila Rive.

As a small lad, young Melvin Jones moved to Russellville with his parents, brothers and sisters, here, in this Arizona mining camp, east of Benson, John Calvin Jones ranch and served as a deputy United States Marshal.

In 1888 the Jones family separated, then going to Colorado on a business venture, while the mother took the children to Missouri in order to give them educational advantages. Part of Melvin's schooling was in the Union Business College and Chaddock College of Quincy, Illinois.

From a lowly start in the Johnson & Higgins Insurance Agency in Chicago, Jones went on to establish his own successful insurance business. Along life's way, he married Rose Amanda Freeman, who passed away in 1954. His second marriage, to Lillian M. Radigan, took place in 1956.

With a background of service in the Business Circle, a businessmen's club in Chicago, Jones organized Lions International, which held its first convention in Dallas, Texas, on October 8-9-10, 1917. Now (February 28, 1967 data) this eminent and far-flung organization counts 21,047 clubs in 136 countries and geographical locations, in every corner of the world, with a total membership of 817,275.

Starting in 1950, Jones served Lions International as its Secretary-General, an honorary title. In 1958 he was further honored by the board, which changed his official title to Founder and Secretary-General.

Refusing to rest on past laurels, Jones, with boundless bounce, continued to be a dynamic force in Lions affairs until his death, June 1, 1961, at Flossmoor, Illinois.

On several occasions before his passing, Melvin Jones visited the site of birth and participated in discussions with Safford, Arizona, Lions and other Lion groups that laid the foundation for the memorial now honoring his memory.

Located in Fort Thomas alongside U.S. 70, the beautiful but unpretentious memorial was dedicated June 27, 1965, with fitting ceremonies led by Edward Lindsey, of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, 2nd vice-president of Lions International. This tribute to the Graham County boy who made good is more and more becoming a mecca for Lions from every country throughout the free world.

Written by: William R. Ridgway

OPPORTUNITY FOR LIONS

Submitted by Richard Hopkins, Buckeye Lions Club

The Lions of Arizona will be represented for the first time at the Arizona School Boards

Association & Arizona School Administrators annual conference December 14 & 15 at the Biltmore. There will be a Lions booth among the 120 others at the trade show.

Over 600 school board members, superintendents, and other school administrators will tour the trade show the afternoon of the 14th and all day on the 15th. These are the decision makers of the schools, and exactly the type of new members we all strive for. And, we'll get their contact information for your club as well.

The booth will promote the services Lions Clubs provide in their communities, especially the vision screening opportunities in their schools. There will be a prize drawing or two, which will require an entry form filled out. Once the event is over, all entry forms will be separated by location and forwarded onto the local district/clubs for their membership drive. Please keep in mind that superintendents and most other school administrators have within their contracts provisions for the district to pay their dues for Lions. This is a tremendous opportunity for you to add great members to your clubs.

This will also promote Lions as the provider of choice for school vision screening services to the schools themselves. There will be legislation in 2017 to require vision screening in schools, and this time there is support for only Lions and other non-profits to do them. The governor has agreed to sign the bill as well.

Help is needed in the booth both days, with 2 or 3 Lions desired at all times. Lion Richard Hopkins will coordinate & will be there both days (see article elsewhere in this issue). Schedule is Wed, Dec 14 1pm – 4pm for booth set up, and 4pm – 6pm for opening night. Thursday, Dec 15 for people visiting booth; 730am – 1030am, 1030am – 130pm, 130pm – 430pm, or 430pm – 730 pm which includes taking booth down. It is strongly suggested that you take the time to visit the other booths and share your clubs' information with them, so bring about 120 of your flyers. Think sponsor for your next event. You can RSVP your requested shift to Lion Richard at buckeyelions@yahoo.com.

This is envisioned as a joint effort from the three districts, the Vision Center, and Sight & Hearing Foundation. As there is a cost for this, \$200 was asked from each, with only 21-A committing so far as of this writing. This is the very best opportunity for a large number of great new members for each district that we have had in a very long time. Your local clubs or district GMT can help support this as well, and is strongly encouraged, as everyone needs new members. You can send your checks to Buckeye Lions Foundation, PO Box 26, Buckeye, AZ 85326 (who has agreed to front the payment to ASBA).

Thank you.

LIONS VISION CENTER (LVC) AND OVERGAARD PONDEROSA LIONS CLUB PARTNERS WITH ARIZONA MISSION OF MERCY (AZMOM) OFFERING VISION SCREENINGS

The Central Arizona Dental Society is proudly sponsoring its 5th-annual AZMOM event December 9th and 10th at the Veterans Memorial Coliseum with approximately 1.7 million dollars in free dental care administered to over 2,000 patients. This is the SECOND year Arizona LIONS will offer free VISION SCREENINGS.

Spot screeners will be utilized to ensure all patients have their eyes screened. Patients showing a need for glasses will use a GIFT CERTIFICATE compliments of VSP Eye Care. Patients showing a need for reading glasses will be given a pair compliments of LVC. There is need for many Lions Club volunteers (with and without Spot vision screening experience). Last year Arizona Lions screened 946 individuals, this year with your help we plan to exceed that number.

To sign up for the LIONS VISION SCREENING ; e-mail donna.harris@ponderosalionsclub.com. Or contact Lion Donna Harris, 602-617-8051. Hours for Vision Screening will be from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm on Friday and Saturday. Please advise what hours you are available for this fun and very busy LIONS event. Lunch is provided to all volunteers.

What's Happening at La Casa de Los Leones HUD Elderly Independent Living Complex in Tucson? (Managed by (LFA) Lions Foundation of Arizona)

Craft Day is held in the recreation room at La Casa de Los Leones by our new tenant, Pat. Pat enjoys teaching and sharing her craft supplies with the other tenants.

Picture left to right: Tenants Naomi, Harietta and Pat



Picture below left to right:
Tenants Harietta and Pat



Picture below: Tenant Linda



Picture below: Tenant Corkie



DISTRICT 21 A

DG Jack Buckles

“To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded”.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

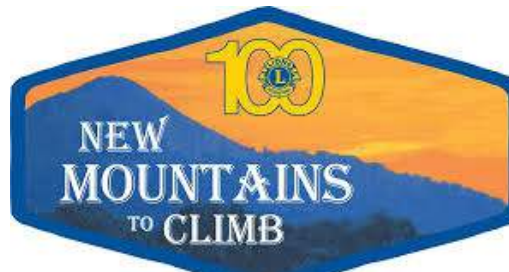
How about that convention? I hope everybody had a fantastic time. As I had mentioned before there would be a lot of info to be had. Once again a big attaboy to all that organized the event, and thank you to all that attended.

This is the time that all of the clubs shift into high gear. We have book fairs going on. Sight screening is starting to settle down but 21A has screened a huge number of kids. I know that there are still more to be tested. A lot of clubs are buying eye glasses. There is so much more that clubs are doing. We sure can say (WE SERVE). Remember when you're out doing all the great things that Lions do, don't forget to promote our organization. Send Lion Karen Buckles and Lion Ellen Yopps pictures of what you are doing so they can get the info out to the public via Facebook. I would like to think that this is part of our advertising for the District. When people see those things that you do, they may want to get involved.

It seems that every week I attend a club meeting there is some club that is adding a new member. I would like take this time to thank each and every club that brought in a new member so far. It's a long journey but we can accomplish it one step at a time. How do you eat an elephant? One bite at a time.

Thanks for your support

Yours in Lionism
Jack Buckles



Sun City Host Lions Club Helps with Education **Submitted by Lion Shirley Gerhart**

The Sun City Host Lions Club members collected 1,100 Box Top Tabs which equated to \$110.00 for education. These Box Top Tabs were presented to Luke Elementary School in Glendale, Arizona.

Salome Lions Club

Submitted by Zone Chair PCC Ralph Williamson

The Salome Lions Club celebrated the 68th annual Dick Wick Hall Day on Saturday October 5. Events planned included a parade, dinner and a dance. All events took place at the Salome Lions Club, 66520 Hall Street.



As usual the day's events were very eventful starting with the Parade and then a great Bar-B-Q by the Cattleman's Association.



They also had a bake sale and raffle.

Make sure you attend this great event next year and help support the Salome Lions Club.

The Buckeye Lions Club Partnership with Buckeye Family Resource Center Submitted by Richard Hopkins

The Buckeye Lions Club, in partnership with the Buckeye Family Resource Center, recently completed our first joint vision screening of school children. In the Buckeye Elementary School District, 2601 students in the preschool, grades K-2, 6, Special Ed, and students new to the district in grades 3-5, and 7-8 were screened. The Odyssey Charter School family of schools were also screened. 913 students were screened for vision and 2010 for hearing.

BESD held a 'back to school' health fair and community services night at one of the elementary schools. Lion Richard Hopkins was there offering vision screening (about 90 screened, 18 referred). A little girl and her mother came up, and the little girl said "Thank you for my new glasses. This is my first day wearing them."

Lion Richard asked her if she had her eyes screened at the school, and she said yes. The mother said they did not know she had vision issues and was thankful the Lions came to the school. Lion Richard asked the girl "So, you can read better?" "Yes." "You can see the board better?" "Yes." "This means you will get better grades?" "Yes."

The mother said the school was considering an IEP (Individual Education Program) and Special Ed for her, but now thinks it will be unnecessary at this point. This family did not need Lions' support for the glasses, as they were able to take care of the costs themselves. Lion Richard shared this with the principal, who said the little girl beamed with pride all day with her new glasses.

Lion Richard, who also is the senior member of the BESD governing board, has been selected to make a presentation on the Lions/BESD unique partnership at the Arizona School Boards Association annual meetings in December. Over 600 school board members, superintendents, and other administrators will be in attendance. The SPOT machine will be demonstrated, the benefits of vision screenings to school districts and their students will be discussed, how Lions can help provide glasses to those in need will be shared, as well as a brief overview of 2017 legislation requiring vision screening in the schools. This is a great opportunity for Arizona Lions.

Another great opportunity for Arizona Lions at this event is discussed elsewhere in this issue. Please participate if you can.

Thank you.

Black Canyon Lions Club Temporary Meeting Location and Days.

It was the consensus of the Black Canyon Bicentennial Lions Club to change their meeting location and day while their home location is under construction for the next three months.

They will be meeting at the Albins Civic Center, 19055 E. K Mine Rd., Black Canyon City, Arizona 85324, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday nights @ 7:00 P.M. If you need any further information please contact President Dave Williams, 602 402 2272 or Secretary Shawn Snelling 602 999 7845.

MD-21 LCIF RAFFLE



The MD-21 LCIF Coordinators are proud to sponsor a raffle to benefit LCIF and 3 lucky Lions. All proceeds will go to LCIF.

First place: Complete set of PIP Joe Preston's Journey to the Top pins – PLUS, a Gold Contributing Member pin (\$100 value) – PLUS, 50% of the proceeds (up to \$1000) donated to LCIF in winner's name toward their Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Second place: a Gold Contributing Member pin (\$100 value) – PLUS, 30% of the proceeds donated to LCIF in winner's name toward their Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Third place: a Silver Contributing Member pin (\$50 value) – PLUS, 20% of the proceeds donated to LCIF in winner's name toward their Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Tickets are \$5.00 ea. Tickets will be available from now until the drawing at the MD-21 Convention in May.

For tickets or information contact:

PDG Fred Garmeson
480-895-9363

PCC Ralph Williamson
623-934-9579

PDG Larry Palmer
480-802-3811

DISTRICT 21-B

12th Annual



SUN LAKES LIONS FOUNDATION



CASINO NIGHT

SATURDAY

JANUARY 30TH, 2016

TICKETS

\$20.00



OVER \$1,000.00 IN GREAT PRIZES

SUN LAKES COUNTRY CLUB

25601 SUN LAKES BLVD, SUN LAKES, AZ

5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Proceeds to Support

Arizona Lion's Camp Tatiyee Campers

Ticket price includes \$500.00 in casino chips

Food and Drinks are available

Tickets available at the Sun Lakes Country Club Resource center,
any Sun Lakes Lion, or call **480-352-8076**





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HEALTH FAIR-CLINIC

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12TH

SUN LAKES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

9248 EAST RIGGS RD.

9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Have the following health items checked:

- > Eye Sight screening by Lions Vision Center
- > Hearing tests by Zounds Hearing Aids
- * Flu Shots to be administered by S. L. Walgreens Drug *
- > Dermatologist by Center for Dermatology and Plastic Surgery
- > Mental Health information will be provided by the Sun Lakes United Methodist Church Counseling Service
- > Blood pressure
- > Blood Glucose
- > Blood Oxygen
- > Body Mass
- > Cholesterol
- > Health and nutrition information booklets will be available.

Sponsored by Sun Lakes Lions Club & Sun Lakes United Methodist Church

* Bring your Medicare and Health insurance cards to pay for Flu Shots *

Open to the public

Gold Canyon Lions Create a Friendly Place

The Gold Canyon Lions along with Lions across the globe serve the needs of people in many areas such as literacy and supporting families. When approached to assist in construction of a library for a renovated safe house for CAAFA (Community Alliance Against Family Abuse), the Gold Canyon Lions saw an opportunity to serve the community and create a Legacy Project that will continue to make a difference. Nan Rutkowski, GC Lion who is also a board member with CAAFA brought this opportunity to the club. Over the course of last year while the house was under general renovation, the club collected books for possible use in the library and stored them at the Rutkowski residence. Once the renovation at CAAFA was completed, a committed group of Lions began to plan, construct and personalize the room.

In the spring, with the help of eleven GC Lions, the walls and woodwork were painted in a welcoming light green with white trim. We were fortunate to have some handy members, Lane Backus and Tom Picek were able to make shelves, signs and convert a bookcase for the children's books, as well as to sit upon. Donations of comfortable chairs, end tables, lamps, an area rug and even a small rocking chair completed the space. The motto of all Lions Clubs is "We Serve" and that they do. It took two weeks and many hands to complete the project. We visited several weeks later and placed our handmade sign on the door.



Gold Canyon 2015-2016 President Norb Okinowski



A quiet place

Back left to right: Nan and Jim Rutkowski, Loretta Milton, Linda Storbakken and Julie Backus



DISTRICT 21-C



“Sevice Makes Hearts Roar”

Submitted by: DG Rosemarie A Gabriel

Congratulations 21C on our 1st quarter Membership numbers, we have increased our ranks by 39 members. We need to improve member retention. While we invited 107 wonderful new lions, we also lost 68 members. Let us work to provide our awesome members with different service opportunities and have fun meetings. We are still working to form new clubs. Please help us and GMT Ron in the formation of new clubs, whether they are family clubs or specialty clubs, such as members having the same profession, cultural background/nationality, business, or interests/hobbies.

Thank you to all the clubs who participated in the District-wide service event on Oct 8 focused on restoring sight. It was also World Sight Day! Others clubs have moved their “restoring sight” projects to the next weeks due to the funeral service of PDG Wes held on Oct 8. Thank you for your continued participation. Please mark your calendar for the next district-wide event which is Feb. 11, when we will focus on Relieving Hunger. Clubs can collect canned goods for the needy, help at a soup kitchen /food distribution place, or feed the hungry in a homeless shelter. Our final district-wide event will be on April 22 which will focus on Protecting the Environment. This day happens to be Earth Day, too! There is ample time for the clubs/zones to plan for these events. Please do not forget to send your pictures to our various communication channels so we can celebrate.

I would like to remind each club secretary/president to record the club service activities in the LCI system. Please contact LCI IT support for assistance 630-468-6900, if needed.

We lost two great Lions this past month, PDG Wes Edmonds and ZC Dale Russell. We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to their families and their Lions clubs. We will miss them dearly. Let us honor them by continuing their passion of serving the community and invite others to join our service organization.

As of this writing, we still need more Lions to register for our Leadership Forum and Mid-Year Conference. One of our goals this year is to focus on leadership. We need new leaders and ideas to take our organization beyond our 100th anniversary. This is a great opportunity to learn and sharpen our leadership skills, reunite with our Lions family from the other districts and make new friends. Also, don't forget to check out the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute. The application deadline is on November 7, 2016.

We are working diligently to plan our District 21C Convention on March 30-April 2 at Camp Tatiyee. If you have suggestions, please send them to me.

Stay up-to-date with our news and activities through one of the communication opportunities available. The “Roaring Pride”, Canyon State Lions, 21C website, club emails etc. There is no such thing as too much communication!

I would like to wish each and every one a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving! I thank the Lord for family, friends, good health and the opportunities given to us to be Christ bearers to one another. Thank you to all Arizona Lions for having a big heart and open hands always ready to serve their communities and make a difference for a better world. May the Lord bless us all! Let's continue to roar and be thankful for every blessing that comes our way!

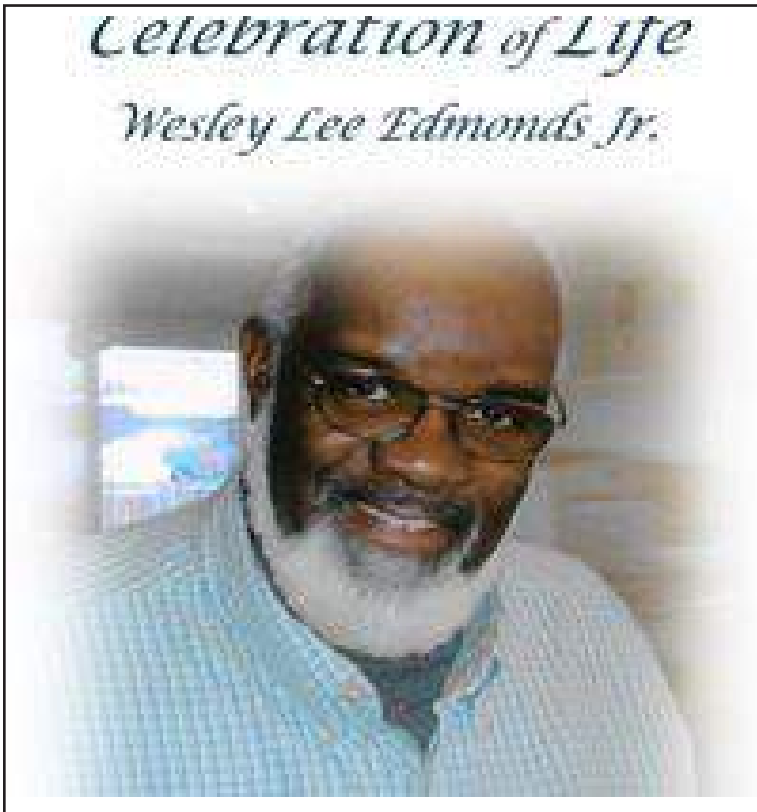
Payson Lioness Club Dog Days Out Event

On behalf of the Payson Lioness Club Members we would like to give a big THANK YOU to all who gave of their time and support that resulted in the success of the Dog Days Event.



Top left to right: Pam Padilla, Vice President, Dorine Prine, Treasurer, Anna Church, Connie Koutz, Marion Karstadt and Barb Straton, PDG Tom Simmons and Allen Fogal and Nelson the infamous Leader Dog. Emily Morton not in picture.

*In Memory
You Will Be Missed*



January 23, 1939 to September 30, 2016



Dale Russell
April 3, 1935 to October 3, 2016

Lions Pin Trading

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Richie Benefit Fund Changed

Since Mesa East Lions club, benefactor of the Richie Benefit Fund, is disbanding 6/30/16, the new benefactor will be Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation.

Please send any future donation checks to:

Sight and Hearing Foundation

3427 N 32nd St.

Phoenix, AZ 85018-5606

Attention: Richie Benefit Fund

Mail future checks to Lions Sight & Hearing noting on the lower left hand corner Memo: Richie Benefit Fund.

Mesa East Lions club wants to thank all the Lions club who donated. Future donations are always needed.

Celebration of White Cane Safety Walk Day Submitted by Teresita Reyes

In celebration of White Cane Safety Day, Scottsdale Kachina Lions Club and Camelback Mountain Lions/ Lioness Clubs participated at the FBC White Cane Walk 2016. This special event is to help raise community awareness for pedestrians who are blind or visually impaired. Arizona's pedestrian environment has become increasingly hostile to the safe travel of all persons and especially to those who are blind. After the walk, they had activities for the children. A certain activity that was fun was making your own bracelets and necklaces, but special beads were used. At the back of each bead, the letters were engraved in braille. It was fun and we learned to read in braille. How awesome was that!



The ASU Lions Campus Club would like to thank the following Lions for their support in making our Homecoming Float a Success.

ID N. Alan Lundgren Sr., Gilbert Lions Club

Marc and Amy Lundgren, Gilbert Lions Club

Jim Richardson, Avondale Lions Club

Jeannette F. Russell, Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club

ZC Eddie Richardson, Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club

A Special Thanks to Mandi Queen



PHOENIX VALLEY OF THE SUN LIONS CLUB

ANNUAL HOLIDAY RAFFLE

Grand Prize

\$500

Runner-Up Prizes

Dimmable Salt Rock Lamp
babycakes Brownie Maker
6pc ZOKU Ice Pop Molds
Crayola Rainbow Rake



ONLY 500 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

Tickets are \$5 or 3/\$10

**100% OF PROCEEDS GOES INTO OUR CLUB'S
COMMUNITY PROJECTS**



Drawing held on 12/14/16
Need not be present to win



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CAMELBACK MOUNTAIN LIONESS CLUB

15th Annual Baby Photo Contest 2016



Photos of past participants and winners

Rules: Please enter any baby photo of a child 3 years of age and under. The photo can be old and the baby can be in a group photograph with the family members, etc... any baby photo can be entered.

Judging will be on Tuesday, December 13, 2016. The judging will be performed by 21-C DG Rosemarie Gabriel

Proceed goes to Lions Camp Tatiyee Centennial Legacy project

Entry fee: \$1.00 / photo (You can send photos as many as you want)

Please send photos on or before Monday, December 5, 2016.
If you want photos returned, please include SASE (Self Address Stamp Envelop).

Submit entry: for Digital Photos email to teresita.digital@gmail.com

for Photos mail to Lioness Sally Shears with the address below:

3048 W. Country Club Terrace, Phoenix, AZ 85027

Three awards and prizes will be announced and of course the bragging rights. This contest is for fun so please keep it fun for everyone.

you are wanted at
Camelback Mountain Lioness Club

Western Night

Dinner/Dance fundraising

**Saturday
February 4, 2017
at 5:00 PM**

**Attire: Western
Live Auction
Raffle**

Dinner ticket: \$35/adult, \$10/child (ages 6 to 12)

Proceeds to
Camelback Mountain Lioness Club
Centennial Legacy "Camp Tatiyee" project



**For more info contact:
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**Macayo's Grill Scottsdale
11107 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85254**



**FREE PIZZA AND DRINKS
FOR ALL BOWLERS!**

Event Coordinator
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Location
Bowlmor Scottsdale Lanes
7300 East Thomas Rd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85251

**SCOTTSDALE KACHINA LIONS CLUB
PRESENTS**

When
Saturday, Nov. 19, 2016
11am to 1pm

STRIKE FOR SIGHT

**The Scottsdale Kachina Lions Club
invites the visually challenged children
and adults to a day of fun bowling
with their peers on the
5th Annual Vision Action Service
Strike for Sight**

WE ARE LCIF

Lions Clubs International Foundation is the charities branch of Lions Clubs International and we are all a part of LCIF. Just as we show pride in being a Lion by wearing our pin and vest, we should also show our pride in our service to our community, our country and the world by wearing a Contributing Member pin. A donation of as little as \$20 will help someone see, help cure water borne diseases, help educate children through Lions Quest , provide basic necessities during a natural disaster and save children's lives through the Lions Measles Initiative. All donations for Contributing Member pins earn credit toward a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Everyone knows that all clubs can't afford to donate \$1000 for a Melvin Jones Fellowship to honor a club member every year. Clubs can use Contributing Member pins to recognize member's service to the club and the community – the member receives the recognition that they deserve and the money goes to LCIF. Most clubs can afford to present deserving members with \$20 bronze, \$50 silver or \$100 gold Contributing Member pins. All donations paid toward a Contributing Member pin are credited toward a Melvin Jones



Credit for Donations made to Qualifying Charitable Organizations



Tax credits providing an easy way to help you help us

Here's how:

You can donate a maximum of \$800 for couples filing jointly or \$400 for individuals. Donate by December 31st.

You do not have to itemize deductions to claim a credit for contributions to a qualifying charitable organization.

This is a dollar-for-dollar tax credit that can lower the amount of your state taxes owed.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Always contact a tax professional for expert advice on your specific tax situation. For more information on this tax credit (A.R.S. §43-1088), please contact the Arizona Department of Revenue at (602-255-3381) or access their web site at www.revenue.state.az.us. (SB1216 passed by Arizona State Legislators 2016)

The Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of MD21 is a non-profit, non-sectarian charitable 501 (c)(3) organization.

Complete this form and mail to:

**Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of MD21 – 3427 N. 32nd Street
Phoenix, AZ 85018-5606**

Under the Arizona Charitable Tax Credit Law (A.R.S. §43-1088) for Contributions to Qualifying Charities, you can donate up to \$400 for couples filing jointly, or \$200 for individuals, to assist Sight & Hearing Foundation of MD21. This credit is allowed in addition to the tax credit for schools.

You will be sent an acknowledgement for tax purposes.

Name: _____
Street: _____
City: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____
E-mail: _____ **Amount of donation:** \$ _____

**Please make check payable to: Lions sight & Hearing Foundation
3427 N. 32nd St., Phoenix, AZ 85018**

Thank you for your help.



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2016

Nov	12	Sunbird Lions Club & Lions Foundation of AZ Golf Tourney	Chandler	PDG Fred Garmenson 480-895-9363
Nov	12	Health Fair Cliniiic at Sun Lakes Methodist Church, 9248 E. Riggs Rd.	Sun Lakes	
Nov	19	Scottsdale Kachina LC Strike for Sight	Scottsdale	Teri 480-351-9389
Dec	9-10	Arizona Mission of Mercy (AZMOM) at Veterans Colisium	Phoenix	Donna Harris 602-617-8051

2017

Jan	7-8	Area G DGE School	Phoenix	
Jan	14	MJM Rededication Day	Ft. Thomas	
Jan	21-24	Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (Ellie)	Chicago	
Jan	30	Casino Night Sun Lakes Lions Club	Sun Lakes	480 352-8076
Feb	11	21C 3rd District Project "Relieving the Hunger"	Various Locations	
Feb	11	Tucson Annual Walk and Roll @ Reid Park	Tucson	
Feb	14	Western Night Camelback Mountain Lioness Club	Scottsdale	Teri 480-351-9389
Feb	17-19	DGE School Best Western	Phoenix	
Feb	24-25	21A Convetion-Wickenburg Community Center	Wickenburg	PDG Ann Roberts 602- 618-9653
Feb	24	3rd Council Meeting-Wickenburg Community Center	Wickenburg	
March	17-18	21B Convetion & 3rd Cabinet Meeting Widmere Hotel & Conference Ctr.	Sierra Visa	
March	31- April 2	21C Convention at Camp Tatiyee	Pinetop/Lakeside	PCC Richard O. Brown 480 951-1021
April	22	21C 4th District Project "Protecting the Environment"	Various Locations	
April	29	2nd VDG Workshop/CS/T	Phoenix	
May	19	4th Council Meeting	Ahwatukee	
May	19-21	MD21 Convention	Ahwatukee	
May	19-21	21B-4th Cabinet Meeting-Four Points by Sheraton	Ahwatukee	
June	30-July 4	International Convention	Chicago	

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