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MELVYN K. BRAY INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR WILL BE OUR GUEST AT THE UP-COMING MID YEAR CONFERENCE

Melvyn K. Bray from Whiting, New Jersey, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 26 through 30, 2015.

Director Bray is a retired bank vice president and regional manager.

As a member of the Toms River Lions Club since 1973, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, club treasurer, club secretary, club membership chairperson, council secretary, cabinet treasurer, council chairperson, district peace poster contest chairperson, district LCIF chairperson, multiple district GMT coordinator and region chairperson.

He is also the executive director for The Lions Eye Research Foundation of New Jersey.

In recognition of his service to the association, Director Bray has received numerous awards, including the Club President Excellence Award, a Leadership Award, Senior Builder Key Award, Life Membership Award and three International President's Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Bray is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the Sight & Handicapped Foundation of Ocean County, Funds for the New Jersey Blind and the New Jersey Camp for Blind Children.

Director Bray and his wife, Ginny, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have one son, one daughter and three grandsons.



Lions of Arizona, Welcome Your New MD21 Medical Eye Unit At The Mid Year Convention

Submitted by Jeannette F. Russell, Arizona Lions Vision Center



We did it!! This new MD-21 Medical Eye Unit will have its ribbon cutting ceremony on October 29, 2016 at the Mid Year Convention at the Four Season Hotel. Lions International media crew will be on site. A presentation of the old Medical Eye Unit will be passed on to the Caborca, Mexico Lions.

Don't miss out on what all the Lions of Arizona have accomplished.

From the DESK of ID Alan..

Lions of MD21...please read the following letter from IPIP Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada, Chairman, Lions Clubs International Foundation, and then consider joining me with your \$100 donation. Contact PDG Fred Garmeson if you would like a program on LCIF and what it does for the world.

Let's accept IPIP Yamada's challenge.

Dear Lions,

Did you know that since its founding in 1968, our Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has given out more than US\$950 million in grants? That is an incredible amount of money. What is even more incredible is that we have improved the lives of hundreds of millions of people throughout the world.



We could not have done that without you! Did you also know that LCIF relies entirely upon donations from Lions and friends? Yet, only six percent of Lions make an individual donation to LCIF each year. You read that correctly: only six percent of Lions give an individual gift to LCIF. To those who have already made a donation this year, thank you.

If every Lion gave only US\$100 this year, we could raise US\$140 million. A single US\$100 donation can provide measles vaccinations for 100 children, a week's worth of food for a family after a disaster, life skills training for a classroom of students through Lions Quest, or a loan to an entrepreneur whose business will support an entire family. That donation can, in fact, change someone's life.

For clubs who donate as little as US\$50 per member, LCIF will award special Club Giving Banner Patches. Please encourage every member of your club to support LCIF this year. Help us to help those who need us most.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada

Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



Walk the World with LCIF



LCIF is proud to partner with Johnson & Johnson Vision Care Companies to provide [Sight for Kids](#). Now, you can walk or run to raise money for Sight for Kids wherever you are in the world. Simply download the [Charity Miles](#) app on your smart phone, select "Sight for Kids," and take a walk! LCIF will receive a donation for every mile logged.

You can raise money by just walking around the house, going for your morning walk, walking your dog, walking at work or walking while shopping. You don't have to do anything special-just make sure you carry your phone.

Supporting this vital initiative has never been easier! It doesn't cost you anything except the time to download the app and turn it on and off each day. Download the app right now.

Contact: Fred Garmeson
Phone: 480-895-9363

IMPORTANT NOTICE

LCIF's grant application deadlines have changed. Now, applications for Standard Grants, International Assistance Grants over \$10,000 and Core \$ Grants are due no later than 90 days prior to the start of board meetings. Applications are reviewed in January, May and August.



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Sunbird Lions Club & Lions Foundation of Arizona

SALUTE OUR VETERANS GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2016

SUNBIRD GOLF RESORT 6250 S. SUNBIRD BLVD. CHANDLER, AZ

4 Player Scramble

7 AM CHECK-IN 8 AM SHOTGUN START

\$10,000

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Plus Hole-in-One Prizes on other PAR 3 Holes

CASH PRIZES FOR GROSS AND NET IN EACH FLIGHT

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Cost **\$40** per player

Donuts and Coffee at check-in - Gift - Lunch

PLEASE BRING A DONATION FOR "PACKAGES FROM HOME" PROJECT

Individual size Toiletries - Sun Screen - **Socks** - Playing Cards - Paperback Books - Canned Nuts - Hard Candy or Gum

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MAIL CHECK AND APPLICATION TO: or Turn into the Pro Shop

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VETERAN?**

Fill in back of this form.

To All Lions

Submitted by PCC Joan Williamson

The time has come for another great Mid Year Leadership Conference. Reserve the following dates on your calendars, October 28, 29, 30, 2016 and head for the Four Points South by Sheraton off of Elliot Road and the I-10.

There will be great seminars and workshops with informative presenters. We will have great entertainment both Friday and Saturday evening.

The Mid Year Conference is not just about workshops or seminars. The most important event is meeting new Lions and visiting with old friends. Remember you never lose a friend just the time that you may not be in contact with them.

You will also be voting on a new Convention Shirt. Since this is the Centennial Convention, it is time to look spiffy! There will be 3 designs for you to choose from and the one with the most votes is the one that will win. You will also be able to order your shirt at the Mid-Year so plan on coming and having a say as well as have an enjoyable weekend!

The registration form and the AD form are in this issue....

PLEASE NOTE: a few Hospitality Suites have opened up for \$99 plus tax....IF YOU WANT ONE OF THESE SUITES YOU MUST CONTACT

**PCC Joan Williamson,
jwlion@ctcaz.com, or call
602-622-9830.**

**Reserve your rooms now.
They won't last long!**

Seeking Resumes for 2017-2018 Multiple District Council Chair

Qualified individuals who wish to be considered for the Council Chair position during the Lions 2017-2018 Centennial year are encouraged to submit a letter for consideration. The District Governors-Elect for the Centennial Lions year will review the letters received and will forward eligible and qualified individuals a brief questionnaire for a written response. Based on those responses, the DGEs will arrange for personal interviews during the MD-21 Mid-Year Leadership Conference in late-October. If you are interested, send your letter to CC Sally Hanson by September 15 she will forward received letters to the DGEs, who will follow-up with each respondent. Address your letter to CC Sally Hanson, 25847 S. Eastlake Drive, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248, or email to CC Sally at lionssally21b@aol.com

OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND 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>



20th Leadership Development Forum & Mid Year Conference
Multiple District 21 – “Red, White & Blue USA Celebration”
Four Points by Sheraton, Phoenix South
 10831 South 51st Street, Phoenix, AZ 85044
October 28, 29, 30, 2016

REGISTRATION FORM
 Please use one form per LION

NAME: _____ NON-LION SPOUSE: _____
 ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____
 CITY, ST: _____ ZIP: _____
 E-MAIL: _____
 DISTRICT: (circle ONE) 21A 21B 21C
 CLUB: _____ OFFICE: _____

Registration Fee (Before Oct. 1, 2016)	_____ @	\$ 25.00	\$ _____
Friday Evening Pool Side – Snacks/Entertainment	_____ @	\$ 20.00	\$ _____
Saturday International Luncheon	_____ @	\$ 22.00	\$ _____
Saturday Evening Dinner & Entertainment	_____ @	\$ 27.00	\$ _____
Melvin Jones Fellows Breakfast	_____ @	\$ 22.00	\$ _____
Saturday PDGA Breakfast (PDG's, PID's, ID's)	_____ @	\$ 22.00	\$ _____
		TOTAL	\$ _____

Registration Fee (After Oct. 2, 2016)	_____ @	\$ 30.00	\$ _____
Friday Evening Pool Side – Snacks/Entertainment	_____ @	\$ 25.00	\$ _____
Saturday International Luncheon	_____ @	\$ 25.00	\$ _____
Saturday Evening Dinner & Entertainment	_____ @	\$ 30.00	\$ _____
Melvin Jones Fellows Breakfast	_____ @	\$ 25.00	\$ _____
Saturday PDGA Breakfast (PDG's, PID's, ID's)	_____ @	\$ 25.00	\$ _____
		TOTAL	\$ _____

DIETARY NEEDS: _____

Make checks PAYABLE to: **MD21 Lions Conference**

REMIT TO: **PCC Debbie Vine**
 8810 W. Tierra Buena Ln
 Peoria, AZ 85382
 623-933-5996 * Cell 602-390-0656 * blueyaz@cox.net

FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS (\$79.00 plus tax – rates guaranteed through September 20, 2016) CALL: Four Points by Sheraton @ 480-893-3000

BE SURE TO INDICATE THAT YOU ARE WITH "THE LIONS MD21"

There are a limited number of Hospitality Suites now available at \$99 + tax – please reserve with PCC Joan Williamson, 602-622-9830 or e-mail: jwilliam@ctcaz.com



**20th MD21 Leadership Forum and Mid-Year Conference
October 28, 29, 30, 2016**

Four Points by Sheraton Phoenix South Mountain, Ahwatukee, Arizona

Schedule of Events

Friday, October 28th

11:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Conference/Forum Registration	Hotel Foyer
11:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Raffle, Pin Traders, State Projects & Vendor Tables	Rosewood
12:30 PM - 12:45 PM	Opening Session – Casual/Meeting Attire	Palm Room
	Call to order	CC Sally Hanson
	Pledge	DG Jim Whelan
	Song	DG Rosemarie Gabriel
	Invocation	Lion Linda Finley
	Introductions & Welcome	CC Sally Hanson
	Convention Agenda	PCC Joan Williamson
	Leadership Chairperson	IPDG Barbara Daily
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	MD 21 Council Meeting	CC Sally Hanson

FRIDAY LEADERSHIP SESSIONS

3:15 – 5:00 pm	Session 1	ALL MAIN	State Project – LFA 3:15 pm to 3:35 pm	Project Board
		MEETING	State Project – Camp Tuliye 3:38 pm to 3:58 pm	Project Board
		ROOMS	State Project – LS & HF 3:57 pm to 4:17 pm	Project Board
			State Project – MLIM 4:18 pm to 4:38 pm	Project Board
			Special Project – Vision Center 4:39 pm to 4:59 pm	Project Board

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Snacks/Happy Hour (No Host Bar) & Entertainment	Poolside
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Hospitality Rooms	2 nd Floor

Saturday, October 29th

7:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Conference/Forum Registration	Hotel Foyer
7:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Raffle, Pin Traders, State Projects & Vendor Tables	Rosewood
7:00 AM - 8:15 AM	PDGA Breakfast	Ironwood
9:00 AM	Reverse General Session	Sage/Palm/Mesquite
	Posting Colors	CC Sally Hanson
	Pledge of Allegiance	DG Jack Buckles
	Song	PCC Ron Brown
	Invocation	Lion Linda Finley
	Parade of Banners	DG's of MD 21
	Welcoming	CC Sally Hanson

SATURDAY LEADERSHIP SESSIONS

9:30 – 10:20 am	Session 2-A	Mesquite	A Rough Guide To Vision Missions Around the World	Dr. Dan Twelker
	Session 2-B	Palm	Calling all Treasurers! Is your club legal with the IRS and more!	PID Dick Sawyer
	Session 2-C	Sage	Lions North American Initiative	ID Mel Bray
10:30 – 11:50 pm	Session 3	ALL	Redistricting Panel Discussion	PIP Joe Preston and Panel (Pru/Cma)

UPDATE WITH THE MELVIN JONES INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL Submitted by President Ralph Williamson

A special thanks goes out to the Safford Lions Club for their very large contribution which helped us to replace the Ramada canopy roof over one of the picnic benches and helped with the extra cleanup from the storms we had in the area.

We will be installing more new granite plaques on our new block walls. This is a major upgrade. The reason we are doing this is because the names on the bricks are fading due to the well water, ice, snow and longevity in the area.

We are repainting and re-organizing the interior of the museum, re-locating pictures, pens, displays etc.

There is a misconception and misunderstanding regarding our Vanguard program. Many are confusing it with the Melvin Jones Fellow Honor and say, "I am a MJF, why do I need to be a Vanguard?"

Several years ago, our outside director PCC Jack Ferguson from Missouri had the foresight of what he and others thought the Birthplace of our founder Melvin Jones should be and outlined the program called the Vanguard. Vanguard is defined as the leading position in a movement or another definition the person(s) at the forefront of any group or movement. Since this program was introduced the Board of Directors and many Lions have done their best to honor this movement.

The movement is to improve and enlarge the surroundings of Melvin's birthplace so that all Lions and the public can understand the purpose of Lions.

The Vanguard is not in competition with the Melvin Jones Fellow Honor but is a program to raise money for the future of the Museum and the area where Melvin was born. Yes you guessed it...we are in need of monetary donations to continue upgrading and making the Lions proud of the home of our founder Melvin Jones. Our donations were down last year and in many cases we cannot wait until May for the annual check presentation at state convention. Not only the MJLIM but the other state foundations only receive donations from a very small percentage of clubs in the district. We are in the process of applying with different companies and organizations for grants to upgrade the museum.

Recently, I noticed that several clubs have different type of activities and the funds from these activities go to one of the state projects.

The MJLIM could also use an event to raise funds by your clubs committee. The following is our wish list:

The funds we are asking for are to replace projects that are over 20 years old.

Funds are needed to replace all the existing red bricks with the new Black Granite Plaques to relieve expenses of replacing the lettering on the bricks due to inclement weather and the hard water from the well used for irrigation. The estimated cost of this will be \$20,000.



Old Red Bricks



New Black Granite Plaques

- Replace the old lawn irrigation system so that the lawn is evenly watered and eliminate all the areas that do not receive water from the sprinkler system. The estimated cost for replacement is \$8,000.00.

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 then 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, and we will be presenting some new programs.

DIABETES

Lion Mark Rabinowitz, District 21-B Chairperson and MD21 Chairperson

The following is from the Lions Clubs International website:

Raising Diabetes Awareness, Preserving Sight - The World Health Organization estimates that over 422 million people worldwide have diabetes, a growing world epidemic that is expected to affect over 642 million by 2040.

Diabetes and Vision Loss - People with diabetes are at risk of losing sight due to diabetes eye disease. It is the leading cause of new-onset blindness in many countries. All people with diabetes – both Type 1 and Type 2 – are at risk. That's why everyone with diabetes should get a comprehensive dilated eye exam at least once a year.

Diabetes can lead to other possible complications, including heart attack, stroke, kidney failure, leg amputation, and nerve damage. In pregnancy, poorly controlled diabetes increases the risk of fetal death and other complications.

Lions and Diabetes Awareness - With these statistics and concerns in mind, Lions have taken action through the Diabetes Awareness and Action Program. Our work supports diabetes awareness, education, prevention, detection, control, and research.

Joining Forces to Fight Diabetes - Lions work with local community partners and national diabetes associations to promote diabetes education and awareness throughout the year. We also commemorate World Diabetes Day www.idf.org/wdd-index/, an annual campaign led by the International Diabetes Federation on November 14.

The following is from the EXECUTIVE SUMMARY, INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, Fukuoka, Japan, June 19-23, 2016:

SERVICE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

1. Adopted a new service framework consisting of five major service platforms (diabetes, vision, environment, cancer and hunger) with special programmatic components developed for and supported by children and youth, and diabetes serving as the first signature cause.
2. Adopted that the signature cause will be for 5-10 years, and any extension beyond that timeframe will be reviewed by the Service Activities Committee.

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During the past Lions year, I visited over twenty clubs in District 21-B speaking about Diabetes Awareness. My goal this Lions year is to visit clubs upon request with some experts in the field and to present some additional knowledge about this ever-increasing disease. We need to create an awareness of prediabetes – what are the signs and symptoms and what you should do.

As Multiple District 21 Chairperson, I will work with your district chairperson to coordinate awareness and education presentations. If your chairperson is unavailable, please call or email if you would like a visit.
Lion Mark Rabinowitz, District 21-B Diabetes Chairperson markrabi4277@aol.com 520 481-0902

DISTRICT 21 A

DG Jack Buckles

“Thousands of Candles can be lit from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened. Happiness never decreases by being shared.”

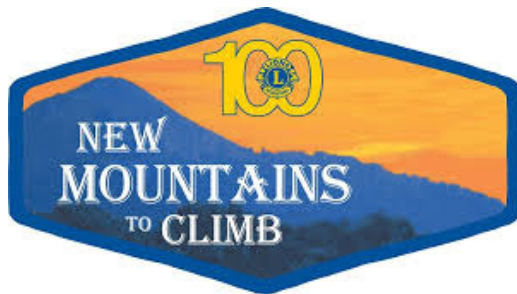
Buddha

Here we are. A quarter of the year is over and it has been exciting to see the growth in some of the clubs. It can be said that the Zone Chairs are doing some outstanding work. As I visit the clubs, I get a sense that some clubs are growing stronger. There's evidence that we have strong club officers in many of the clubs.

Our Centennial Celebration is coming next year. I would like to encourage all Lions to support this project. Remember this is how we are going to move towards the future. Lion Rachele Barrett is our go-to person in the district. If you have any questions, please contact her. This is a big thing in Lionism, so please support this program.

Another reminder is that the Mid-Winter conference is coming up at the end of the month. It would be helpful if everybody could attend. We have a great speaker lined up: ID Melvin Brey. Our organizing committee has worked very hard on the programs and I think you will find this conference very informative.

Thanks for your support
Yours in Lionism
Lion Jack Buckles



Lions Pin Trading

Contact:

Tony McLain 602 616-8475
Sherman McCutcheon 480 917-0818
PCC Phil Castrovinci 480 437-1141



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.

JOHNSON'S EXPERIENCES, ITALIAN STYLE

Submitted by **PDG Ann Roberts, Secretary**
Wickenburg Lions Club

High School graduate Claire Johnson recently spent a month experiencing the Italian culture. This was thanks to the Lions Youth Camp and Exchange program and the Wickenburg Lions Club. Once Claire learned she had been chosen, she then had to pick from 118 camps in 42 countries. She has never regretted her choice of Italy.

Claire spent the first two weeks with a host family in the northern city of Bassano del Grappa. They spoke very little English and she spoke no Italian. This didn't stop her enjoyment of the visit. One of her most noticeable differences in comparing the two cultures was the Italians spend a lot more time sitting and eating. As part of the visit, the family took Claire for a train ride to Venice where she experienced the city from a gondola.

The second two weeks were at a Lions camp with students from around the world. Camping and hiking were part of the experience. Claire admits it was nice to be back in Wickenburg, but she would like to go back to Italy again.



Just a reminder to everyone that the Sun City Mid Week Bell Lions club has their annual "Legends of the West" luncheon with all of the proceeds going to Lions Camp Tatiyee.

This is the 20th year of this luncheon and obviously we have raised a lot of money for Camp Tatiyee over the years.

This has been made possible by the continued support of all of the Lions of Multiple District 21.

We ask you to help us this year by attending the luncheon, which will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2016, at the First Presbyterian Church, 102rd Ave & Alabama in Sun City AZ. The cost is only \$20.00 and our program this year is "Wyatt Earp", Nephew of the original Wyatt Earp, who will present us a program on this famous uncle entitled "A Life on the Frontier".

The doors open at 11:00 AM, and luncheon starts at 12 Noon. There will be drawings, a Chinese auction and numerous prizes, including a drawing for our "Big Hat Raffle" which gives you a chance to win \$50.00 cash.

Please come out and support this worthy project for Camp Tatiyee.

Jack L. Stidham PCC
 Legends of the West Chairman
 Sun City Mid Week Bell Lions Club



BIG HAT RAFFLE



CHINESE AUCTION

**THE SUN CITY MID-WEEK BELL LIONS
 PRESENT THEIR 20th ANNUAL
 LEGENDS OF THE WEST LUNCHEON
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22th, 2016
 BENEFIT FOR LIONS CAMP TATIYEE**

**FEATURING:
 LOCAL ACTOR
 WYATT EARP,
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 CORRAL
 PARTICIPANT"**



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 THE
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**COWBOY BBQ LUNCH AT NOON
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DISTRICT 21-B



CASA GRANDE LIONS KICK IT UP A NOTCH

Submitted by Lion Richard Stevenson

The Casa Grande Lions Club screened the Oasis High School in Eloy for vision. Lion Cheryl Bosely Seat ran the show with her newly trained, State Certified, vision screeners. "It was a learning experience, and now we are ready for more," said Lion Cheryl. After lunch, the team visited the Superintendent of the Casa Grande Elementary School District to sell their services to this district with 7,000 students. "We were successful and ready to tackle this district as well as several charter schools that we have been talking to." We Serve

LIONS CLUB OF GOLD CANYON ASSISTS AJHS BY REPAIRING TEXTBOOKS

Apache Junction High School social studies teacher Mr. Alec McDaniel faced a dilemma, as an AP (Advanced Placement) teacher there are curriculum resources made available but it is always a plus to have supplemental materials available. It is especially important in AP classes to have these additional resources. Mr. McDaniel had some older textbooks that were well worn and in fact in disrepair. He contacted Gold Canyon Lion Mike Weaver, who he knew from the school's Leo Club, to see if the Lions might be able to help.

Mr. Weaver brought this up at the June monthly meeting and not surprisingly Lion Loretta Milton immediately took up the challenge. Working with Gail Graham-Fisel, a volunteer at the Apache Junction Library over the next few weeks Loretta was able to remove 25 of 26 textbooks from deaths doorstep to usable resources in the classroom. The school was able to purchase a very small number of new books, since buying an entire class set was not within the budget.

Thanks to Lion Loretta and Apache Junction Library volunteer Gail Graham-Fisel, precious resources have been conserved while providing teacher resources and student enrichment materials. Gold Canyon motto is "We Serve" and Lion Loretta exemplifies that!

Picture on far right;

Left to Right:

Lion Lorretta Mitlon and

Gail Graham-Fisel



Gilbert Lions Eye Screening

This year the Gilbert Lions Club took on a very aggressive project of trying to screen as many Gilbert schools as possible. Lion Bob Rimer contacted the District nurses and set up screening in 11 area schools. By contacting the Lions Vision Center, Lion Bob borrowed two Spot machines for use by the club within the schools. Lions Bob and Jeff Hoffman organized a daily schedule, using ten members and volunteers to assist. The club set out to top the previous year's total of 1,499 children screened. At the end of the two weeks of screening, the Gilbert Club processed a total of 4,158 children, not including teachers and nurses. They had a total of 459 that have been referred for further screening.

At the regular meeting on the 13th of September, several letters and emails were read to the club, showing how grateful folks were for the screening. As a bonus, we may have just picked up a few more members from the school system.



Lions Bob Rimer and Jeff Hoffman screen children while Jean Hyland checks screening results



Final day of spot screening with left to right, Lions Dave Crotchett, Jeff Hoffmn, Bob Rimer, N. Alan Lundgren; ID and Jim Cresto.

DISTRICT 21-C

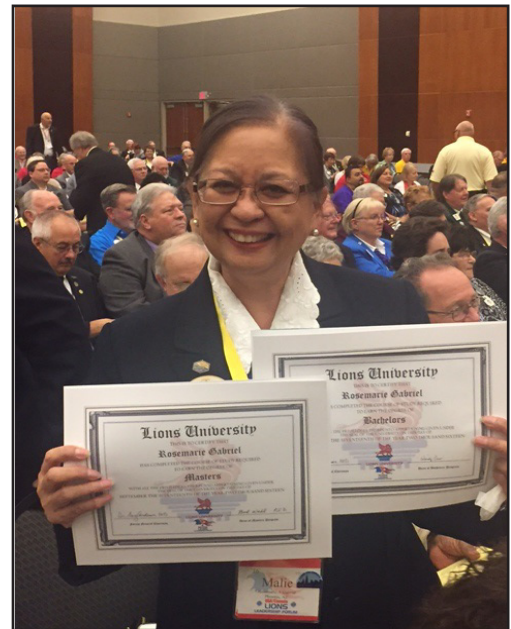
“Service Makes Hearts Roar”

Submitted by: **DG Rosemarie A Gabriel**

It was a wonderful USA Canada Forum! Two great news items came from the forum (drum roll please....). 1st – Lions Clubs International has reached its goal of serving 100 million people. Let us continue doing what we do best in service and hopefully double our goal. 2nd - Lions Clubs International is one of the nominees to receive the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize. What a great honor for each and every Lion who has done so much to be an instrument of peace and service around the world.

The theme for this year's forum was “Service for Leadership” and the attendees completed service projects such as packing more than 100,000 meals for needy families in Omaha, vision screening, and recycling donated eyeglasses and packing them for vision missions. There were 82 back-to-back seminars for participants to attend. The seminars we attended were informative and we are excited to share what we learned with members back in our districts. We reunited with old friends and made new ones through use of the poken-paw device, which allows us to save contact information as well as seminar summaries. Lions Bobbie Ravenkamp, Jong Gabriel and myself graduated from the Lions University. Next year's forum will be in Portland, Oregon and I hope you will take the opportunity to go.

Jong and I are enjoying the club visits. Thank you for your warm hospitality. We look forward to visiting more clubs and meeting our Lions family. I am truly inspired by all the awesome services our fellow Lions are providing for their communities. Every club is unique in how they run their meetings and service projects, but each Lion has a big heart and open hands, ready to serve. Thank you for everything you do to change lives and make the world better.



Our second district-wide opportunity to serve is on Oct. 8, “Restoring sight” which happens to be World Vision Day! Clubs from the multiple district can partner together to do services such as vision screening, eyeglass collection and sorting, and holding White Cane Days etc. to make an impact in our communities. I am excited to hear the beautiful sounds of service coming out on this day. Please do not forget to send your pictures to our 21C website, “Roaring Pride” and facebook so we can celebrate.

Don't forget to register for the MD21 Mid-year Convention coming up Oct 28-30, at the Four Points by Sheraton, in Ahwatukee. There will be many leadership seminars available. Also, don't forget to check out the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute. The application deadline is on November 7, 2016. Please mark your calendars; March 31 – April 2, 2017 our 21C Convention, which is going to be at Camp Tatiyee.

Have a wonderful Fall season and let's paint the beautiful colors of service when and where we can. Have a safe and fun Lion's Hallllloooowween ! Roarrrrrr.....

Picture on left: Front row PCC Gerson Gonzales, PID Dick Sawyer, Lion Fay Sawyer, 21C DG Rosemarie Gabriel, 21A 1st DG Phil Whitaker; Back row left to right PID John Walker, 21B 1st VDG Bob Hutton, 21B 2nd VDG Bobbie Ravenkamp, 21B DG Jim Whelan; Picture on right: 21C DG Rosemarie Gabriel



WHAT IS HAPPENING ON OCT 8?



THIS IS THE 21C DISTRICT-WIDE "SHARING THE *VISION* DAY"



BE A LIFE CHANGER!



YOU CAN MAKE THIS SPECIAL DAY HAPPEN..



TELL US ALL ABOUT YOUR GREAT EVENT..

Send pictures to 21C Website – USAUJO@COX.NET / Karen Leja for the newsletter – Karen@lejafamily.net

Please join the
Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club
 For



“DELI DOLLARS”

Fundraising Day
Wednesday, October 12th
4pm – 8pm

How does this work?
 Miracle Mile will donate 15% of all sales generated by
 Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club Supporters!

What do I need to do?
 It's easy as 1,2,3!

1. Go to **Miracle Mile Delicatessen**
 4433 North 16th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85016
 Southeast corner of 16th Street & Campbell
 Go to www.miraclemiledeli.com for location map and phone number!
2. Purchase a Meal and a Beverage for Takeout or Dine In
3. Give this flyer to the cashier when you pay for your meal(s) and 15% of your total purchase will be donated back to Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club!
That's it! Your part is done!

Thank you and we hope you come to support this worthy cause and enjoy some fabulous food at Miracle Mile!

All meals must have a beverage purchase to qualify for 15% donation. Coupons and discounts cannot be used in conjunction with any purchase towards the 15% donation. See store manager for details. Offer only valid during event date.



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



Lion Hans President@PhoenixLionsClub.us
 Lion Joseph Secretary@PhoenixLionsClub.us
 Lion Tom Membership@PhoenixLionsClub.us

PhoenixLionsClub.us



Payson Lioness Fundraisers

Bake Sale

Saturday, October 8, 2016

Safeway on Hwy 260, from 8:00 a.m. to Noon

Dog Show

Saturday October 22, 2016

A Dogs Day Out, a fun event for pooch & family at the PET CLUB on the corner of HWY 87 & Aero, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. You are welcome to come and join us for fun-filled day. Proceeds will go to Leader Dogs.

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

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480-802-3811



Scottsdale Kachina Lions Club

Collectible State Pins Fundraising

Official Arizona
Lions State Pins
from 1975 to 2017



Enlarged

Tickets: \$5/ticket or 3 tickets for \$10

**Raffle drawing at the Mid Year Conference
on October 28-30, 2016 at**

**Four Points by Sheraton Phoenix South Mountain
10831 S. 51st St., Phoenix. Az 85044**

**Proceed goes to Scottsdale Kachina Lions Club
" Strikes for Sight " Vision Project**

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

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 Fellowship, either in the name of the member or the club.



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 Legislature's 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.

CALLING ALL GRASS ROOT LIONS-ID'S-PIP'S-PID'S-PDG'S-PCC'S

The time has come for another great Mid Year Leadership Conference. Mark your calendars for October 28, 29, 30, 2016 and head for the Four Points South by Sheraton off of Elliot Road and the I-10. Super seminars, super presenters and great entertainment both Friday and Saturday evening. The registration form and the AD form are in this issue....PLEASE NOTE: a few Hospitality Suites have opened up for \$99 plus tax....IF YOU WANT ONE OF THESE SUITES YOU MUST CONTACT PCC Joan Williamson, jwlion@ctcaz.com, or call 602-622-9830. Order soon as they won't last long!

SEE YOU THERE!



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2016

Oct	28	2nd Council Meeting Four Points by Sheraton	Ahwatukee	
Oct	28-30	Mid-Year Conference-Four Points by Sheraton	Ahwatukee	PCC Joan Williamson 602-622-9830
Oct	28-30	21B 2nd Cabinet Meeting-Four Points by Sheraton	Ahwatukee	
Nov	19	Scottsdale Kachina LC Strike for Sight	Scottsdale	Teri 480-351-9389

2017

Jan	7-8	Area G DGE School	Phoenix	
Jan	14	MJM Rededication Day	Ft. Thomas	
Feb	11	21C 3rd District Project "Relieving the Hunger"	Various Locations	
Feb	16-18	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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