

## Committee Reports for Council Meeting October 8, 2021

### Newsletter / Public Relations: Jeff Davis, PDG

Once again, thanks to all club reporter as well as club and district leaders for your continued contributions towards the success of our newsletter. All members are encouraged to send in anything Lions related you feel others would be interested in.

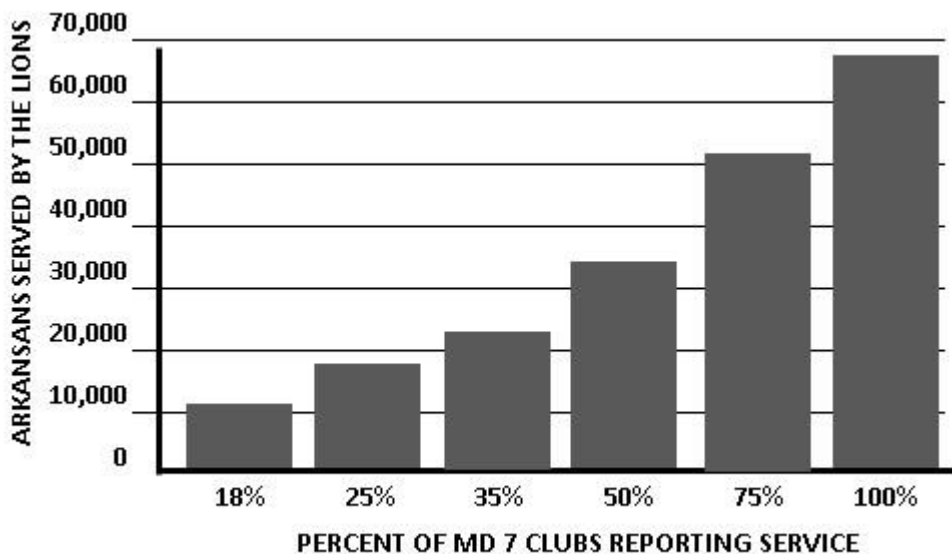
Next newsletter is scheduled for the first week of November.

### GAT Service: Jeff Davis, PDG

Congratulations to District 7-L for besting the multi-district's percentage of clubs reporting service. With one third of their clubs reporting service so far this FY, they have nearly doubled the over all state percentage of clubs reporting activity.

First quarter efforts have been directed towards training club presidents, secretaries and services chairs on using MyLion to report their clubs' activities. What I called "A Quick Start Guide" for reporting service was sent out. Some responded with success while other reported difficulties. Lion leaders, please encourage your clubs to report their activities on MyLion.

### What would our service record look like if:



### Global Leadership Coordinator: PDG Leanna Rich

We are very excited to get our new year of training started with our Vice District Governors. We had a "meet and greet" (via zoom) with both the first and second vice district governors on Sept. 14 @ 8PM. We will host our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governors on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the next three months and we will host training on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the next three months with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governors. The

curriculum has remained unchanged since last year, so we will follow a similar schedule as we did last year. The 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governors are already receiving training from LCI starting in September. We believe they are training on the last Sunday of the month. We have been asked to set up some vice district governor training at Mid-Winter but we are waiting to find out how much time we will have which will designate how many sessions we can have so that we can determine the sessions and apply for a GLT grant to help pay for the cost of the training. As soon as we hear back from CC Jeremy Kimble , we will begin to work on those sessions as well. PCC Matt Webber and myself PDG Leanna Rich will be leading most of the training and will occasionally be assisted by PCC Brad Baker. Next Quarter we may expand our presenters but at present, it is only the three of us.

### **Global Membership Coordinator: PCC Tracy Price**

I regret that I will not be able to attend the Zoom meeting this Friday evening. I will be handling the scoreboard duties at our homecoming ballgame.

I am happy to report that we are ONLY down 9 members through September. This is great news. We still have many opportunities to increase our membership to the positive level. Even though many clubs are still not meeting, there is a lot of service being done in our communities. PLEASE publicize your service projects and encourage others to join us. Remember, the more members we have, the more people we can serve.

I went to an area location to do a vision screen a few weeks ago and ask the Director of the facility if she had ever considered joining the Lions Club. She told me that no one had asked her. I pulled out my membership application and she filled it out and thanked me for the opportunity to serve with us.

Our local club has changed meeting locations and I approached the Coordinator of the facility about becoming a member and she was thrilled that we would give her the opportunity to become a member. Again, I pulled out a membership application and she filled it out and thanked me for the honor to be a Lion.

I told these two stories to let you know that we MUST ASK if we want to grow our organization. Yes, we are traveling down unfamiliar roads but people still want to serve their communities and we need to take advantage of that.

I refer to God's word which says "the fields are white unto harvest, but the laborers are few". The same goes for the Lions club. There are many out there that would join if we just ask. PLEASE encourage each member to carry a membership application with them and seize the opportunity to to GAIN 1 IN 21.

**State Office: PDG Wanda Barnett Green**

### **District Convention Reports**

As you have most likely have heard, due to potential travel and safety challenges associated with the uncertainty of the Delta variant, the 2021 District Conventions have been canceled and rescheduled to Spring 2022.

We normally elect our officers (DG's) and send to LCI - District Convention Reports to LCI. (DA-20) LCI needs this report before I can order the District Governors 2022-23 crest. That being said we might look at voting differently so that the DG's could receive the crest before International Convention.

### MD7 Annual State Awards

Please honor someone in your district for the MD7 Awards. These are due by March 1, 2022. John H. Barnett, Jim Fowler and Ed Barry. These applications are in web site.

### Dues

All district dues are paid.

**LCIF: PDG Mike Benefield**



District Health Assessment for Multiple District 7 through September 2021

District Number Name of Month in Status*	Clubs							Membership						Member Strength		Cancellation			Reports		Finance	Leadership				
	Active Clubs	Clubs in Status Quo	Total Clubs	% Status Quo Clubs In Financial Suspension	New Clubs	Cancelled Clubs	YTD Net Club Gain/Loss	Current Members In Active Clubs	Current Members In Status Quo Clubs	Current Total Members Count	YTD Add	YTD Drop	YTD NetGrowth (Includes Active and Status Quo)	YTD NetGrowth (Excludes Active and Status Quo)	Member Count 12 Months Ago	Average Member Count Per Club	% of Clubs with less than 20 members	Average Club Age	Members Lost Due to Cancellation	% of Clubs Cancelled Non-Financial	% No MMR In 3 Months	% No Officer Report in 12 months	% of Clubs with balance 90+ days	Number of Zone Chairs Recorded	Number of Region Chairs Recorded	District Officers Vacancies**
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7 I T(24)	31	0	31	0%	0	0	0	634	0	634	22	21	1	0.16%	695	20	58%	0	0	0%	32%	0%	13%	8	0	0
7 O T(24)	26	0	26	0%	0	0	0	577	0	577	19	10	9	1.58%	593	22	65%	0	0	0%	42%	12%	8%	5	0	1st VDG, 2nd VDG
7 N T(24)	27	0	27	0%	0	1	-1	496	0	496	6	38	-32	-6.06%	585	18	52%	74	9	0%	48%	0%	19%	7	0	0
	110	0	110	0%	0	1	-1	2379	0	2379	80	89	-9	-0.38%	2,605	22	55%	74	9	0%	36%	3%	15%	25	0	0

\* - District Status: P - Provisional, T - Transitional.

\*\* - District Officers Vacancies: DG - District Governor, 1st VDG - First Vice District Governor, 2nd VDG - Second Vice District Governor.

Strategic Plan: PDG Rich Fischer

No state level Strategic Plan report at this time other than to encourage all Lions to recruit new members and revitalize their clubs as COVID begins to wind down.

Internet Technology: PDG Jennifer Carey

The MD7 Arkansas Lions web page is up to date. The directory has been updated.

Thank you to the council for the new committee members added, PDG Myrna McGee for assist in Zoom meeting and PDG Wanda Barnett Green and assist with IT.

