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A VIEW FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings once again Arkansas Lions! Can you believe that we are almost thru the first half of this 2014-2015 LION Year? As the hustle and bustle of the holidays approach, I would like for you to take a moment and consider

HOW LIONS CAN HELP FEED THE HUNGRY
IN OUR COMMUNITY.

As your District Governors have made their annual visits to each of the Clubs this year, I anticipate that they probably included the LCI “Global Service Action Campaigns” in their presentations. These are Lions’ humanitarian projects, which every Lions Club can participate in. One of those campaigns is the “Relieving the Hunger” program.

According to the most recent U.S. Department of Agriculture research report, “Household Food Security in the United States”, an estimated 85.7 percent of American households were food secure throughout the entire year in 2013, meaning that they had access at all times to enough food for an active, healthy life for all household members. The remaining households (14.3 %) were food insecure at least some time during the year, including 5.6 percent with very low food security, meaning that the food intake of one or more household members was reduced and their eating patterns were disrupted at times during the year because the household lacked money and other resources for food.

We, as LIONS, can impact this need in our own Communities and beyond.

LIONS have an opportunity to show the strength of our worldwide network during a special service action campaign, “Relieving the Hunger”.

During the months of November, December 2014 & January 2015, we urge the Clubs in Multiple District 7 to join LIONS around the world to help relieve hunger.

Organize projects that mobilize your Club members to make a difference in your local community – by helping those who don’t have enough to eat.

If your local food bank/pantry does not have volunteer opportunities available, you may wish to consider other service projects such as preparing and delivering food baskets to families in need.

There may be an opportunity to work with your local government agencies to plan and develop a community vegetable garden. Planting and maintenance may be one way of serving families, who do not have the funds and/or land to put in a garden of their own.

Here's how you can use the LCI resources:

Visit The LCI Website:

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/global-service-action-campaigns/relieving-the-hunger.php>

Call To Action Flyer: Get an overview of the “Relieving the Hunger” Global Service Action Campaign, in order to get ideas to jump start your project.

Planning Guide: Use this step-by-step guide to organize your very own “Relieving the Hunger” project.

Project Ideas: Review every idea you and your Club can come up with, so that your members can participate in the campaign.

Food Drive Project Sheet: Use this informative guide to organize a food drive, in your local community, to help alleviate hunger.

News Release: Send a news release to all of your local media (radio, television and newspapers), as well as social media (Facebook, etc.), to help publicize your “Relieving the Hunger” project/event.

Report your Club's activities! Be sure that your Club Secretary submits your relieving the hunger efforts on your Club's monthly Activity Report, which will also be included as part of the Centennial Service Challenge. Please be sure to include your number of Lion volunteers, the hours of service & some statistics of how much food was collected and/or the number of families helped. Also, please submit photos of your event. Lastly, we ask that you please send all of your info. to your District Governor's Team, so that your project can be shared with the rest of your District. Who knows, you may have a project that other Clubs may want to mimic! Thanks again for all you do, as LIONS!!

As I always say, “If It's Meant To Be, It's Up To Me...and YOU.” We will be anxious to hear about who will take that next step...

It's A Great Day To Be A LION!!!

CC Matt Webber

“To understand the heart and mind of a (LION), look not at what he has already achieved, but at what he aspires to do.” ~ Kahlil Gibran

“The problems of this world cannot possibly be solved by skeptics or cynics whose horizons are limited by the obvious realities. We need (LIONS) who can dream of things that never were.” ~ John F. Kennedy

SURROUND YOURSELF WITH



THOSE ON THE SAME MISSION AS YOU

Everyday focus on your purpose. Remember why you do what you do. We don't get burned out because of what we do. We get burned out because we forget why we do it.

@jongordon11



Joe Preston
International President's Message



Dear Lion,

The holiday season is a special time of year when we celebrate, reflect and give thanks. And no one deserves thanks more than you.

Thanks to you, we're strengthening our communities. Each day, Lions are making a difference through service. In big ways and small, we're changing lives in our communities. And when 1.35 million members serve together, we can change the world.

Thanks to you, we're strengthening our clubs. Lions around the world are inviting new members who are energizing their clubs and revitalizing our association. I hope you'll continue inviting family and friends into the New Year.

And thanks to you, we're looking forward to another great year. We wouldn't be the largest service club organization in the world without your hard work and dedication. On behalf of Lions Clubs International, have a wonderful holiday season!

Together in service,

Joe Preston

A BIG SHOUT OUT!!

3 out of 4 AR District Governors are "Achievers" in I.P. Preston's
LIONS PRIDE program.

Congratulations to those District Governors and the Lions in their Districts!!

**STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE THROUGH
TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION**

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND
THE 2015 ARKANSAS LIONS

MD 7 MID-WINTER FORUM

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6 & 7, 2015

FRIDAY NIGHT

HAMBURGERS SUPPER

ENTERTAINMENT BY:

LION MARK KEITH AND THE HEMPSTEAD COUNTY
MELODY BOYS AND LION RANDY BANKS AND FRIENDS

SATURDAY

HEAR KEYNOTE SPEAKER

INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT BOB CORLEW



SOME TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED INCLUDE:

**THERE 'S A JUNCTION IN LIONISM - PETTICOAT JUNCTION
IS YOUR CLUB'S HORN BEING TOOTED?**

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR COUNTY?

YOU WANT TO START WHAT?

YOUR CLUB MEETS WHERE?

**LIONS DON'T ALLOW BULLYING OR DRUGS AROUND HERE
SO YOU'VE BEEN PUT OUT TO PASTURE - NOW WHAT?**

Hempstead Hall

On The Campus Of

The University of Arkansas Community College at Hope

Hope, Arkansas

2015 MID-WINTER FORUM EVENTS

FRIDAY

PRELIMINARY EVENT

REGISTRATION	3:00 – 6:00	HEMPSTEAD HALL
HAMBURGER DINNER Hamburgers Prepared by the Prescott Lion Club	5:00 - 6:30	HEMPSTEAD HALL
ENTERTAINMENT Lion Mark Keith and the Hempstead Melody Boys and Lion Randy Banks and Friends	6:30 – 8:00	HEMPSTEAD HALL
HOSPITALITY ROOM	8:00 – 10:00	HAMPTON INN

SATURDAY

MAIN EVENT

REGISTRATION Coffee and Donuts	7:30 – 8:30	OAKHAVEN ROTUNDA
OPENING POSTING OF COLORS PLEDGE INVOCATION WELCOME	8:00 – 8:30 Boy Scouts Troup 5 MAYOR DENIS RAMSEY CHANCELLOR LION CHRIS THOMASON COUNCIL CHAIRMAN MATT WEBBER	WASHINGTON/FULTON
SESSION 1 You Want To Start What? Matt Webber/James Griffin Lions Don't Allow Bullying or Drug Around Here Toni Shockey What's The Stumbling Block to Your Club? Leanna Rich	9:00 – 9:50	Spring Hill Blevins Washington/Fulton

SESSION 3	11:00 – 11:50	
What's Happening in Your County? Claudia Griffin		Spring Hill
So You've Been Put Out To Pasture – Now What? Bruce Davis		Blevins
BANQUET	12:00 – 1:30	
Fried cat fish with all the trimmings by the Hope Lions Club		
KEYNOTE SPEAKER INTERNATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT ROBERT CORLEW		WASHINGTON/
FULTON		
International Vice President Bob Corlew		
SESSION 4	1:30 – 2:20	
THERE IS A JUNCTION IN LION SIM – PETTICOAT JUNCTION Dianna Corlew		WASHINGTON/FULTON
SESSION 5	2:20 – 3:20	
Your Club Meets where? Wanda Barnett		Spring Hill
Is your Club a City Limit Club? Brad Baker		Blevins
CLOSING	3:20 - 3:45	
Presentations Drawings Benediction		Washington/ Fulton

OTHER MEETINGS

FRIDAY	Feb. 5th	Council of Governors	Time: TBA	Hope Meeting Room
Saturday	Feb. 6th	Int. VP & State Officers	Time: 10:00	Hope Mtg. Rm.
		100 Year Celebration Planning		
		Int. VP & Leos	Time: 2:20	Hope Mtg. Rm.

ATTENTION LIONS

This is the one event of the Lions year that you don't want to miss.

The individual forums are so valuable for learning more about Lionism
at the District, State and International Level.

This year we are especially honored to have an International Officer being our special
guest. We don't often get this opportunity, so this is

ARKANSAS LIONS MID-WINTER FORUM



February 6 and 7, 2105

Hempstead Hall

UACCH - Hope, AR

(Please PRINT the following information)

(A) Your Data	Name:	Badge Name (If Different):
	I am a (circle one) Lion Lioness Leo Non-member	Date
	Highest office held in Lions:	# Years a Lion:
Mailing Address	Street, Apt #	
	City, State ZIP	
	E-Mail:	
(B)	Spouse Name:	
	I am a (circle one) Lion Leo Non-member	
	Highest office held in Lions:	# Years a Lion:
Convention Fees		
<p>REGISTRATION FEE-- \$40.00 - Saturday Banquet with featured guest speaker International Vice President Robert Corlew, all seminars, Friday meal and entertainment. <i>First time attendee -- \$30.00</i></p> <p>LATE REGISTRATION FEE \$50.00, \$40.00 FOR FIRST TIME ATTENDEES - AFTER JANUARY 15, 2015 AND AT THE DOOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PLEASE CHECK IF YOU ARE ATTENDING THESE EVENTS:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Friday Evening Social— Join us Friday evening for a Hamburger by the Prescott Lions Club and two of the best bands in Southwest Arkansas.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Noon Banquet —fried catfish with all the trimmings by the Hope lions Club.</p> <p>ROOM RATES at the Hampton Inn (870-777-4567) located at 2700 N. Hervey, in Hope are \$94.05 (not including taxes), or Holiday Inn Express (870-722-6262) located at 2600 N. Hervey in Hope are \$84.50 (not including taxes). Please mention Arkansas Lions Mid-Winter Forum when making reservations.</p>		
(A) Your Fees	\$40.00/\$30.00	\$50.00/\$40.00
(B) Spouse's Fees	\$40.00/\$30.00	\$50.00/\$40.00
Total Due:	Amount Enclosed:	Check Number:

Make checks payable to Arkansas Lions Mid-Winter Forum and mail to:

Lion John Collier
 2317 W. Plainview Rd.
 Hope, AR 71801

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PEACE POSTER DISTRICT WINNERS



1st Place

7-N

Des Arc Lions Club

Alysa Fields

2nd Place

7-I

Conway Noon Lions Club

Lexi Sulieman





3rd Place

7-L

Hot Springs Village Evening

Lions Club

Emma Hill

4th Place

7-O

Jonesboro University Heights

Lions Club

Jose' Aguilar



Lions Of Arkansas Foundation

Hello fellow Arkansas Lions from the Lions Of Arkansas Foundation (LOAF). Are you looking for a good place for a last minute charitable contribution to take some of the sting out of that upcoming income tax preparation ?

Consider LOAF either as a recipient or as a vehicle for a pass thru to your club. LOAF is a 501(c)3 Corporation and contributions are therefore tax deductible.

Tell your fellow Club members, friends & family about this opportunity.

For more information contact CC Matt Webber, Lion Jim Podawiltz or any LOAF Trustee.

In other news: your LOAF Board of Trustees is considering a proposal that would allow LOAF to better serve any Arkansas Lions Club looking for Grant Funding.

If this proposal is adopted, it will be publicized shortly after January 1, 2015.

Officers elected at the November 13, Board of Trustee meeting were

President : Lion Jim Podawiltz

Vice President: Lion Van Tyson

Treasurer: CC Matt Webber

Secretary: Lion Bonda Moyer

A special THANK-YOU is extended to PDG Pat Snodgrass for his six years of service on the LOAF Board of Trustees.

His contributions were always very thoughtful.

PDG Pat was not eligible for reelection per LOAF bylaws.

Have a Happy Holiday Season.

Lion Jim Podawiltz

