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## Council Chairman Corner

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At our Agenda Meeting on Friday night before the last Council Meeting PDG Tony Dowell brought the Governors up to date on what we need to do to make the Lions Quest Program more successful. Guess what that might be.....more involvement by every Governor, every Club, and every Lion.

Tony is a great Lion but he can't do this alone. Yes we have some Lions and Clubs, and Governors who help out when their phone rings. But when was the last time at your club meeting someone said lets appoint a committee to go and speak with the School Superintendent about Lions Quest. And then we will report to Tony the gist of the conversation. From that meeting maybe more meetings will develop. And then before long we will have Lions Quest in our local schools.

Sounds simple enough....well it's not. Tony and the Lions who have been involved with this program will tell you that you have to fight for every inch you gain. Most things that are worthwhile are usually not easy to come by. Now ask yourself how well your school system did in the last grading period. The majority of schools in the Oklahoma City area got D's.... How did yours do?... How are the students doing?... What kind of adults are we growing?... Isn't it worth fighting for?...Contact Tony Dowell and tell him you are ready to go to War!!!! Email him at:

[tonydowell@prodigy.net](mailto:tonydowell@prodigy.net)

## STATE POSITIONS

As per Oklahoma Lions Constitution and the Governors Council Policy the First Vice District Governors will be accepting application for the following State Positions for their year of Governorship 2013 - 2014: Council Chairperson, Vice Council Chairperson, State Secretary, State Treasurer and Parliamentarian.

A letter of intent to serve and qualifications should be addressed to each First Vice District Governor, Council Chairman Marvin Ainsworth and the Oklahoma Lions State Office. **Final deadline for application will be March 8, 2013.** Interviews for said positions will be conducted by the then District Governors Elect at the conclusion of their training March 23, 2013. Final decisions will be announced at the closing of the State Convention April 27, 2013.

The following is from State Constitution:

## ARTICLE IV COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

**SECTION 1. OFFICERS** The officers of this Multiple District shall be members of the Multiple District Council of Governors, which shall be composed of the District Governors and Chairperson who shall be selected in accordance with Article IV Section 3.

**SECTION 2. ORGANIZATION** The District Governors-elect shall meet during the Multiple District (State) Convention and organize by electing a Council Chairperson, Vice Council Chairperson, State Treasurer, State Secretary and conducting such other business as shall be necessary. The Council Chairperson, Vice Council Chairperson, State Secretary, State Treasurer, Office Secretary, and any additional state employees shall be given written job descriptions, which may be modified or updated by any Council of Governors. In the event the Council determines that the elected Council Chairperson is unable to perform his/her duties, the Council shall appoint the Vice Council Chairperson as the acting Co Chairperson. The Vice Council Chairperson has no official duties, responsibilities, authority or vote until the Council has declared him/her to be Council Chairperson.

**SECTION 3. ELECTED POSITIONS** (a). The Council Chairperson shall be a Past District Governor who has served within the past 5 years and shall be elected for a one-year term and shall not serve in that capacity again. (b). The Vice Council Chairperson shall be a Past District Governor who has served in that office within the past 5 years. A Vice Council Chairperson who has served for a majority of a term as Council Chairperson may not serve in that capacity again.



Front: 1st VDG Elmer Enyart, 1st VDG Tom Cummings,  
Back: 1st VDG Sue Thompson, 1st VDG Terry Woodruff, 1st VDG Daryl Pults at the regional Governors Training Dallas, Texas January 4-5th 2013.

# "White Cane" we do to serve?

Troy Jenkins Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation Executive Director

"Vision without action is merely a dream. Action without vision just passes the time. Vision with action can change the world."

Joel A. Barker – American Futurist, Author, Lecturer, and Filmmaker

First off, I would like to apologize for the bad pun in the title. Sometimes, I just can't help myself (I'm a card; I should be dealt with!). With that said, it is time for **White Cane**! For those of you unfamiliar with the **White Cane** fundraising campaign, and all that it symbolizes, here is a little history (which you can find in greater detail on the LCI website):

In 1921, James Biggs, a photographer in Bristol, England, lost his vision in an accident. Feeling uncomfortable with the amount of traffic around his home, he painted his walking stick white to make it more visible. Building off this idea, Lion George A. Bonham, president of the Peoria Lions Club in Illinois, added a red band to the **White Cane** in 1930. He introduced the cane as a means to assist the blind with independent mobility. His club approved the idea, and the **White Cane** with the red stripe was produced and distributed. Soon, the Peoria City Council adopted an ordinance giving the bearers of the cane the right-of-way to cross the street. News quickly spread to other Lions Clubs throughout the nation, and the **White Cane** achieved overwhelming acceptance as a unique way to identify the special travel needs of the visually impaired.

This idea gained footing internationally in 1931 when Guilly d'Herbembot of France launched a national "white stick movement" for blind people and donated 5,000 **White Canes** to people in Paris. Today, **White Cane** laws are on the books of every state in the US, and in many countries as well, providing visually impaired people a legal status in traffic. The **White Cane** now universally symbolizes that the bearer is blind.

On October 6, 1964, in an effort to make Americans more aware of the meaning of the **White Cane** and the need for motorists to exercise special care for the person who carries it, the US Congress approved a resolution authorizing the President of the US to annually issue a proclamation designating October 15<sup>th</sup> as **National White Cane Safety Day**. Since that time, the National Federation for the Blind (NFB), a leading organization for the blind, has established the third week in May as **White Cane Week**. During this week, a special concentration of efforts to educate the public concerning the hopes and aspirations of the blind is emphasized. In keeping with the Lions' established tradition of assisting the blind, many Lions clubs used this time to raise funds for sight-related projects.

Over the years, this program has become a Spring staple of Lions Clubs throughout the world. Most participating clubs hold their events in March, April, or May. In Oklahoma, this fundraising event has evolved into one of the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation's largest fundraisers in support of both the Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank and the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch. Through the hard work and dedication of the Lions Clubs throughout the state, we hope to continue this tradition of service. Last year, only 25% of the clubs throughout the state participated, and \$24,000 was raised. Imagine what we could do if even 50% of the clubs participated!

Letters from each District Governor and the White Cane Committee member from each district have been sent to every club in the state asking for participation in this year's campaign. We are still working on some details to give the campaign some cohesion throughout the state, but would like to start by asking you to select a chair from your club to head up your efforts. As with anything we do, we will achieve greater success with greater participation. So if your club typically participates in **White Cane**, thank you! We look forward to working with

you again! If your club does not typically participate, or has fallen out of the habit, please consider joining us this year! Working together, we can accomplish more. With everybody's help, we will continue to live up to our motto – **We Serve!**

## Congratulations to the Top Clubs in each district in Per Capita Cowboy Cadillac ticket sales!

Garber Lions Club – District 3-A - \$317.86 per member  
Talihina Lions Club – District 3-K - \$80.17 per member  
Bartlesville Tuxedo Lions Club – District 3-O - \$74.76 per member.  
Midwest City Lions Club – District 3-H – \$65.18 per member  
Anadarko Indian City Lions Club – District 3-L - \$59.00 per member.

Thanks for everybody's participation!

### Building the Foundation

The Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch and Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank need the help of every Lion. Your pledge provides the *foundation of support* for these projects. A pledge of \$5 per month is suggested but any contribution will help and is appreciated.

- | YES! Count on my support with:  | Amount |
|---|--------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> A Monthly Contribution   | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A Quarterly Contribution   | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A Semi-Annual Contribution   | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> An Annual Contribution   | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I pledge to support my club's fund raising efforts for our state projects. |        |

For your convenience, you may elect to have your monthly pledge electronically transferred from your bank account. Please complete the backside of this form and attach a voided check or deposit ticket.

To ensure proper crediting of your tax-deductible gift, please complete the following:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Lions Club Name \_\_\_\_\_  
**OLSF Fellowships** are awarded to individuals who make donations at two levels.

\_\_\_\_\_ Louis B. Lackey Fellowship (\$250.00)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dr. Robert D. McCullough Fellowship (\$500.00)

Recipients receive pins and certificates recognizing their contribution. A list of all OLSF Fellows is on display at the Lions state office.

Please make your check payable to and mail to:  
**OKLAHOMA LIONS SERVICE FOUNDATION**  
4123 NW 10th Street  
Oklahoma City, OK 73107-5801  
www.oklionsfoundation.org

The Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation is a non-profit corporation in support of the Lions of Oklahoma State Projects. Contributions are tax deductible under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

### AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR PREAUTHORIZED PAYMENTS

I hereby authorize the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation, hereinafter called the FOUNDATION, to initiate debit entries to my checking account indicated below at the depository named below, hereinafter called DEPOSITORY, to debit the same to such account.

DEPOSITORY Name (Your Bank) \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Routing Number \_\_\_\_\_ Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until the FOUNDATION has received written notification from me of its termination in such time and in such manner as to afford the FOUNDATION and DEPOSITORY reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK OR DEPOSIT TICKET



District 3-O	
Membership (current)	
Clubs	43
Members	1011
Leo Clubs	4
<b>Dues are Due</b> - for LCI, State, & District	

### Welcome New Members

**Chelsea** - Ronald N. Maggard, Jeremy Douglas, Victoria Douglas  
**Grand Lake Langley** - Barbara Dunlap  
**Tulsa Downtown** - Terry Rosenthal

### UPCOMING EVENTS/PROJECTS

To list your club -email upcoming event/project to [lewib9355@aol.com](mailto:lewib9355@aol.com)

<b>Barnsdall</b> Chili Cook-off Supper on Saturday	Feb 16 2013
<b>3-L Convention</b>	Feb 16 2013
<b>3-O Cabinet Meeting</b>	Mar 2013
<b>Chelsea</b> Chicken Dinner	Mar 2013
<b>Barnsdall</b> Celebrity Shooters Training & Education	Mar16,2013
<b>Tulsa Brookside:</b> Fee the Homeless	Apr 2013
<b>Fairland</b> – Golf Tournament	Apr 2013
<b>State Convention</b>	Apr 26-27 2013
<b>Broken Arrow Garage Sale</b>	May 2013
<b>Just Plane Fun</b>	June 1 2013
<b>3-0 Cabinet Meeting</b>	Jun 8 2013

### “Congratulations on completing”:

<b>10 years in service:</b>	Joseph Milroy - Okmulgee
<b>15 years in service:</b>	Russell Orcutt - Miami
<b>25 years in service:</b>	Kenneth Tucker - Pawnee
<b>35 years in service:</b>	Donald Smith - Henryetta
<b>40 years in service:</b>	James Gross - Muskogee
<b>60 years in service:</b>	Tom Caldwell - Drumright

### “HELP WANTED”

Openings for the following positions:

#### **Second Vice District Governor for 2013-2014**

Will train for position-Contact District Governor Larry email [lewib9355@aol.com](mailto:lewib9355@aol.com) or District Governor Elect Elmer email [poppy\\_manny\\_e@yahoo.com](mailto:poppy_manny_e@yahoo.com)

#### **Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch - Board Member for 2013-2016**

Contact District Governor Larry email [lewib9355@aol.com](mailto:lewib9355@aol.com) or District Governor Elect Elmer email [poppy\\_manny\\_e@yahoo.com](mailto:poppy_manny_e@yahoo.com)

#### Club Reports:

**Bartlesville Downtown:** Provided meal for about 40 Bridges Out of Poverty people. Planned to provide bell ringers for Salvation Army. President Joe Shveima and Secretary Carroll Ritchie attended District Convention and President Joe gave program on Just Plane Fun. The activity is a good fund raiser and 8 clubs pledged participation. 314 juice boxes for children’s lunches were delivered to the Agape Mission, 150 were collected from members and the club purchased 164. Presented \$500 check to Salvation Army. Paid Professional Optical \$283 for services. Welcomed Lion Carol Ervin transferring from McAlester Club. Donated \$300 to Boys & Girls Club for special project.

**Bartlesville Green Country:** December was a fast month with all the holidays. We observed our Christmas Party at the first meeting in December. Had a delightful potluck and a dirty Santa gift exchange. Many members were available to participate with the Salvation Army bell ringing campaign. We took five days at a local K-mart to ring bells. Many members were availa-

ble to assist in the gift distribution at the Salvation Army. Contributed 115 hours to the Salvation Army holiday activities. **Broken Arrow Evening:** Volunteer Salvation Army bell ringers Donated holiday food baskets to Broken Arrow Neighbors. Provided a holiday dinner for 200+ people at the Day Center for the Homeless. Purchased two new pairs of eyeglasses. Re-cycled +30 pairs of used eyeglasses. Donated \$300 to the Boys Ranch. Volunteer ushers at BA Playhouse. **Dewey:** Participated in the Halloween trunk or treat on Oct.31. Contributed \$800 to the Lions Boys Ranch. Five

members attended this years Christmas party at Perkins High School and coordinated the dessert table. Contributed several items to the auction. Hosted the 2nd quarter Zone E meeting on December 6.

**Miami Noon:** Purchased 2 Pair of eyeglasses.

**Glenpool:** We gave \$500.00 Boy’s Ranch. We also gave \$500.00 to the local Glenpool Food Bank at Christmas

**Pawhuska:** We voted to give two different families here in Pawhuska a food card to our local grocery store to help them out at Christmas - we gave one family a \$100 food card and to another family we gave a \$75 food card. Both were very appreciative. President, Braxton Williams, came up with the idea of a Christmas Cash Giveaway with the drawing to be held on the same evening as the Christmas parade, December 1, Saturday in Pawhuska, and we made \$940 after selling 200 tickets for \$10 each and gave away \$1000 and had \$60 in expenses. It was a brilliant idea and went over well and we may use the money to increase our scholarships we give away every May to two high school seniors. We also had a float in the Christmas parade. We met once in December and had a Christmas dinner and the piano class of Barbara Strahms was our entertainment. They sang and played some Christmas songs.

**Porter:** Bagged 256 bags of candy and fruit for Christmas parade. Purchased ad in District 1-F convention ad book. Our Lions Park committee met with parks dept in Coweta and Muskogee. Need help to secure grant money—email [warlord@valornet.com](mailto:warlord@valornet.com).

**Pryor:** Pryor has not had a circus in several years, so the Pryor Lions Club set out to change that and sponsor a circus. On October 23, 2011, The Kelly-Miller Circus arrived for two performances. The crowds enjoyed lions, tigers, zebras, camel rides and the two clowns shown here with the son of Lions Club Member, Shaun Barrett.

**Tulsa Brookside:** Read The Little Red Hen to 3 kindergarten classes at Wright Elementary and provided the 60 students with the help of Santa a copy of the book. Purchased and presented Large Print book to a student as promised at the convention from the 50/50 drawing.

**Tulsa Downtown:** provided Christmas gifts to 320 disabled children in 20 Tulsa Public Schools during the first week of December. Club members dressed up like Santa while other members came as Elves to help Santa distribute the gifts. The smiles on the children’s and parents’ faces melted our hearts. The Club spent over \$6,700 on the gifts this year. The new Roar is being distributed electronically where possible to help the Club stay green. Anyone desiring input to the Roar or desiring to be on the electronic mailing list should send input to Lorinda at [Lorinda.Bailey@yahoo.com](mailto:Lorinda.Bailey@yahoo.com) by the 10th of the month. Continue to work with Neighbor for Neighbor to provide eye examinations and eyeglasses for area citizens that cannot afford the services. Members meet at a local charity one meeting a month to assist that charity with its mission. In January we will take on a new mission to assists. An evening meeting where members that cannot meet during the day can meet. Two members continue in maintaining websites for the members to keep current <http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/tulsadtok/> and the other is <http://tulsadowntownlionsclub.shutterfly.com>.

**Tulsa Metro-McCullough:** Completed fundraiser for total of \$300.00 **Wagoner:** .Paid for 3 eye examinations and 4 pair of eyeglasses. Preparing for annual bowling tournament fundraiser now set for Feb. 23.

**Wann:** Santa Claus at the gym with candy for all



# Special K “In A World Of Service”



## New State Newspaper Format

Effective January 2013 the new postal regulations have forced us to change the State Newspaper to this new format. As you can see, we will have less space but will make every effort to recognize as many clubs as possible.

## **White Cane**

The third week in May is “White Cane Week” and by now your club president should have received a letter from Mike Graham, State White Cane Chairman and DG Billy Thompson. Please select someone in your club to chair your White Cane campaign and help us meet this year’s goal of \$30,000.

## **Welcome our new members!**

**Bobby Woods** (Blanchard) Sponsor Brant Spencer; **Ray Roberts** (Holdenville) Sponsor Leon Barrett; **Ashley Todd** (Pocola) Sponsor Pamela Abernathy

## **Memorial**

**Kenneth T. McEntire**, Coalgate Lions Club

## **February Spotlight Club**

**Madill** 2/21/1955 – 58 years

## **Club Activities**

**Ardmore Lions Club** hosted a visit from Bryan Larison, Boys Ranch Executive Director and Troy Jenkins, Service Foundation Executive Director; Sponsored the hospitality room for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Southwest Pin Swap at Lake Murray Lodge.

**Blanchard Lions Club** distributed over 100 food baskets in need within their community. This is an annual event for Blanchard Lions



**Blanchard Lions Club**

**Hugo Lions Club's new meeting place** is the Cedar Shed, 1300 South F Street, Hugo. They hosted a visit from 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG /Zone Chair Don Shaw; Donated \$250 to the “Adopt an Angel” program. Guest speaker Brandy presented a program about the Choctaw County Youth Services Program.

**Idabel Lion** 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Don Shaw has been accepted to attend the Advanced Senior Leadership Institute in Oak Brook, Illinois.

**McAlester Lions** have selected Lion Neal (Woody) Wood to chair their White Cane campaign this year.

**Poteau Evening Lions Club** presented an \$1100 donations to the Poteau High School Band. The donation was made possible from the sale of funnel cakes at home football games during 2012.



**Poteau Evening Lions Club (R)**  
Nina Bowen, (L) Drum Major Hanna Crandell, and Joyce Hall (Center)

**Seminole Lions Club** honored Dawson Porterfield and Karley Steelman as students of the month.

**Wewoka Lions Club** member Phyllis Williamson had the privilege of riding on the Lions Club International float in the Rose Parade along with International President Wayne Madden and his wife Lion Linda.



**Wewoka Lions Club**

**Wilburton Lions Club** president Bud Sandefur was presented a Key Award for sponsoring 3 new members. Club members donated their time during the Christmas holiday ringing the Salvation Army bell.



**Lions Club International Rose Bowl Parade Float**



## January's Report "Happy Days are here again"

The District convention is just under the Horizon.

Now is time for you to step up to the line and show what you got.

The following offices will need to be filled: Dist. Governor, 1st. Vice Dist. Governor, 2nd Vice Dist. Governor, Boys Ranch Board, Lions Eye Bank, Service Foundation. I am confident some of you will want to step up to accept more responsibility.

I look forward to serving you in any capacity I can. We need a few good Lions to fill these positions. Contact DG Wes at : (580) 678-8104 johnwilliams5920@sbcglobal.net, or 1st. VDG Sue Thompson

### FROM THE GOVERNORS DESK

#### Convention News

Past International Director David Fiantd of Fort Wayne, Indiana was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Club at the association's 88th International Convention held in Hong Kong, June 27-July 1, 2005.

A member of the Fort Wayne Central Lions Club since 1976, Past Director Fiantd has held many offices within the association, including club president, cabinet secretary, lieutenant governor, district membership chair, district leadership chair, multiple district convention chair and district governor. Additionally he has served on the youth exchange committee, participated in four missions to Honduras and participated in an adult exchange in France. He is a trustee of the Indiana Lions Foundation and has sponsored 19 Lions.

In recognition of his service to the association he has received numerous awards, including three International President's Awards and two International President's Leadership Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and a W.P. Woods Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Past Director Fiantd is active in numerous professional and community organizations. Past Director Fiantd and his wife, Beverly, also a member of the Fort Wayne Central Lions Club and Melvin Jones Fellow, have four children and two grandchildren. He is also serving on the Global Leadership team for the current 2012-13 year.

We are looking forward to having fun at the Dist. Convention, so please get these registrations in. It is appreciated if All clubs and Dist. officers attend the convention.

#### Memorials

It is within my sad duty to report Lion Leo Thorne, a Charter member and dear friend of the North East Lions Club past away January 5, 2013 Long time member and friend Ron Brown past away December 25, 2012 These members will be missed greatly.

#### What's Happening around the District

**Cache:** Assisted in vision screening in three Cache Schools, Installation of AED in Cache High School. Assisted in setting up training in Cache High School. Members donated blood to the Oklahoma Blood Institute, also put out Dr. Eugene Briggs Scholarships applications to seniors at Cache High School.

**Chickasha:** Collecting used eyeglasses.

**Duncan Evening:** Provided 2 eye exams and glasses. Delivered Poinsettias to patients at local nursing home. Helped at local food bank and at the

Toy Shop which makes sure needy children get presents for Christmas.

**Duncan Noon:** Sponsored a carnival to help Project Graduation raise funds.

**Elk City:** Hosted District training session and Cabinet Meeting.

**Hobart:** Held annual Brisket and Catfish Dinner fundraiser. Donated to the Chamber of Commerce to support Home Town Events. Bought three pairs of eyeglasses and sold Pecans for annual fundraiser.

**Lawton Northeast:** Members put out flags for Martin Luther King Jr. in celebration of his work and what he stood for. This is a signature activity for Lawton Northeast Lions. Hosted the annual Past District Governors Breakfast. This annual event has been held since 1980 to honor past District Governors of District 3L for their contributions to the cause of International Association of Lions Clubs. Donated to OLBR.

**Lawton Northeast Online Branch :** Welcome new members Mandy Harris and Karen Hillis, to the club. Held annual meeting and recognized members for their contributions in the past year.



**Lawton Northeast online Branch**  
Induction of Mandy Harris

**Lawton Patriots:** Adopted the Patriot Park, in Lawton. Assisted the Elgin's Santa Paws event which raised funds for the Elgin animal shelter. Recycled 50 pairs of used eyeglasses. Working on Dining in the Dark Feb 23, 2013 at 6:30pm at Central United Methodist Church in Lawton.

**Mangum:** The Mangum Lions participated in the Annual Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec 15th. yellow and blue. Club President Ralph Bauer pulled the float with his huge antique John Deere tractor which was decorated for Christmas. Seven Mangum Lions decorated and rode in the parade. Lions Ralph Bauer and Kenneth Higgins received Key Awards for sponsoring new members.



**Mangum Lions** participating in the  
Mangum Christmas Parade

**Pocasset:** made a donation the East Gate Foundation and awarded 10 year service pins to Travis Jackson, Brian Jackson, and Gary Tharp.

**Union City:** Held annual Pancake and Sausage Supper, feeding 250 people and selling 62 packages of sausages

**Velma-Alma** Donated gloves to local elementary school and sold 73 sets of Lions Linens.

**Waurika:** Held Pancake Day, serving pancakes at noon and in the evening in December.



District 3-A  
Governor  
R. Deane Wymer



**BEAVER LIONS CLUB** may become a **BRANCH CLUB of GUYMON LIONS!** This one is still in process

**BLACKWELL LIONS CLUB** has been reinstated

**HOOKER LIONS CLUB** has paid their arrears and is in process of reinstatement

**NEWKIRK LIONS CLUB** Secretary Joe Anderson reports they have one new member. The Club has assisted two persons who needed eyeglasses and their Club has purchased the Grand Champion Lamb trophy for the Kay County Junior Livestock Show. Governor has an appointment to make an official visit in February with their Club.

**OKARCHE LIONS CLUB** report they have had no activity during this month; however, they now have 66 members so some good things have happened. Donated \$100 to the Okarche Public Schools and helped with the Recycling Day in Okarche.

The **PONCA CITY NOON LIONS CLUB** reports of the 522 children whose eyesight was tested, they have referred 54 for further testing by their optometrist. Club purchased 18 pairs of eyeglasses spending \$1980 for those in need. They donated \$748 to the Lions Boys Ranch Christmas party and \$100 to the High School Chorale group. Membership drive netted 3 new members.

**FAIRVIEW LIONS CLUB** recognized their 50 year members with a certificate, Lion Clay Clinesmith, Lion Wes Eitzen and PDG Leland Pratt. The Clubs latest "Melvin Jones" fellowship was awarded to the President, Daryl Jantz..Sixty-five food baskets for families prepared with food collected from the community or purchased by the Club and delivered just prior to Christmas contribution of \$250 was made the Lions Boys Ranch and was matched by the Governor. Four Lions Highway have been replaced or updated as reported by Lion Butch Edingfield.

The **LOMEGA LIONS CLUB** held a Ladies Night with the Honorable Judge Davis as their guest and speaker for the event. Have the annual cash fundraiser. Omega High School Robotics provided a demonstration for the Club. Donated 46 ink cartridges.

**PIONEER PLESANTVALE LIONS CLUB** have a new member, Larry Coonrod. They sponsored two Food Baskets and donated \$64 toward the Community Christmas and Food-4-Kids.and oranges were purchased and distributed at the Pleasant Vale Elementary School. They donated a total of \$650 plus a \$250 match by the Governor toward the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch. Kathleen Long was awarded the "Lion of the Year" for 2012.

**LAVERNE LIONS CLUB** reports a new Highway Lions Club Sign has been ordered, a 30" single reflective Lion sign. The Secretary is to check when the Mobile Lions Health Screening unit can be available for use in Laverne. The Club has a contributor for the District "Peace Poster" in which the winner be determined at the District Convention on February 2.sent \$100 to the Lions Boys Ranch

**NORTH ENID LIONS CLUB** Donated to the Boys Ranch \$500, the Oklahoma Eye Bank \$250; to the Briggs Scholarship Foundation \$225, Hearing Dogs \$200, LWSB \$125. Lion Mary L Bailey was selected as the "Melvin Jones" fellow; Rookie of the year is Lion Marshall Ward; Lion of the Year is Lion Charles Osgood. Club donated gifts to the YWCA Crisis Center valued at \$800.Club has voted to donate this year six \$500 scholarships to Chisholm graduating seniors.

**RINGWOOD LIONS CLUB** recognizes newest member, the school superintendent, Dr. Tom Dighton. When the Mobile Screening visited the Ringwood School site, he was the first in line to be tested. Of interest, he teaches Spanish on line to several other schools and would teach German if he had an instructor. At the recent FFA Livestock Auction, the Lions Club paid \$450 for a trophy animal.

**GARFIELD COUNTY LIONS** includes all of the Lions Clubs located in Garfield County. They meet on a regular basis and collectively do County wide projects. Most recently, the Agrifest, they held a "Glucose Screening "for 143 patrons. The lowest reading was a 76, the highest being a 326.They were recommending certain ranges to see their personal physicians.

## YOU ARE INVITED-MARK YOUR CALENDAR

On April 26-27, 2013 the Lions of Oklahoma will hold their annual Multiple District 3 State Convention at the Marriott Oklahoma City Hotel located at 3233 Northwest Expressway, Oklahoma City. A FUN two days is being finalized for you!

Our invited International Guests are PID Scott and Lion Dale Storms from Windsor Lock Conn. Governor Mary Fallin has been invited to be our guest speaker, pending any other commitments.

Have you had a good life lately? Carol Dean Schreiner, the first Woman President of the Oklahoma Speakers Association, a chapter of the National Speakers Association will visit with us on "Laugh for the Health of It."

We will be honored with the beautiful voice of Alyssa Danley, Granddaughter of District 3-K Governor Elect, Daryl Pults, along with Mrs. Okla. Vickie Rose as entertainment.

The Past District Governor luncheon will be held at noon on Friday April 26. Afternoon program on Friday will include: Oklahoma Governors Proclamation, a Memorial Service to honor our departed Lions. The parade of Club Banners will be featured, so **PLEASE** bring your club banner.

The Women in Oklahoma who have 25 years of membership will be honored, along with some of the past 25 years of Peace Poster Winners. **Our Peace Poster winner for 2012-2013 will receive special recognition.**

The State Boards, along with the State Council of Governor's will be holding their regular meetings, as well as the Annual meetings.

**A SPECIAL ACITIVY** has been planned for all those Lions who have never attended a State Convention, (**Meet and Greet Activities**). So New Lions, you have a special Invitation to attend!

Lion J. P Williams is planning a Leo's program. Vice District Governor, Terry Woodruff will present "How to do a Stride Walk for Juvenile Diabetes" A Poker Run for Juvenile Diabetes Awareness and Eye Bank is being planned. Lion Ted Matson will present a program on Prevention Blindness - Children's Prevent Blindness.

Programs on Quest, Mobile Health Screening Unit, Environment-Ways to Protect and Save our Environment, will be presented. Kansas Lions will be available to present information for the **USA/Canada Leadership Forum** at Overland Park, Kansas, September 2013. A Backpack Program for Children will be presented and you are asked to bring essential items for children who are removed from their homes, such as, toothpaste, and other sundry items, toy animals, socks and other children items.

You are asked to bring children books in support of IP Wayne Madden's Reading program.

The Youth and Adult speech contest will be at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday morning April 27.

**Please join in the Passport Program by visiting our State Projects on Thursday and the Red Hawks Baseball game on Thursday evening.**

The Committee and I are looking forward in seeing you there: VCC Arlene Shore Convention Chair.

**Registration Form on Back Page of this paper.**



## Roberts Rambling

### DISTRICT CONVENTION

The theme for our District Convention is Mardi Gras. You are asked to wear Masks. There will be a contest for the best constructed mask. PID Pat Shurley will talk about 25 Years of Women in Lionism. Right before Lunch we will honor those Lions in the District who have been members for 40 or more years. We recognize that a good number of these 83 Lions being honored will not be able to attend due to health reasons. We will lift them up and give thanks for the years of service they have given to the Lions Clubs. After Lunch we will have a parade led by our King and Queen. Then the Oklahoma Seniors Cabaret! will entertain us for about 30 minutes. Following that we will end with a Cabinet Meeting and Election of District Officers and Board members.

### PEACE POSTER WINNER

Our District Peace Poster Winner, Kyleigh Leverage, first beat out 41 other contestants from the Cushing Middle School. Then at the Boys Ranch Christmas party, her poster became the State Winner, and has been sent to LCI. A photo of her poster will be on display at the Convention. Her parents are Mike and Sonja "Leverage".

### OKLAHOMA COUNTY LIONS GRANT

The Oklahoma County Lions Clubs have received a \$15000. grant to provide hearing exams and hearing aids to residents of Oklahoma County and the City of Moore aged 60 and above. The Grant came from the "Oklahoma Seniors Cabaret!", a group of semiprofessional quality singers and dancers who perform for clubs, nursing homes, and senior centers. We will be working with the John W. Keys Speech & Hearing Center at OU Health Sciences and Matt Campbell Audiology & Assisted Listening in Midwest City.

### NEW MEMBERS

**Cushing:** Lewis C. Robinson III, 12/04/12 by Marian Gilkerson; Francis C. Seigle, 12/4/12 by Louis R. Blake. **Guthrie:** Richard D. Ineton, 12/3/13 by Lan Tontz, Gregory E. Rupert, 1/2/13 by Billy G. Wagoner. **Langston City:** Alenzo F. Peterson, 12/12/12 by Darnell Williams, **Perry:** Curt R. Leach, 1/9/13 by Lavern A. Lansbury.

### DEATHS

**Chandler:** Glenn Nichols, 1/1/13; Lions Nichols has been a Lions for 52 years. **Midwest City:** Burord E. Meador, 12/1/12; **OKC Northwest:** Alvin W. Krings, 12/24/12; **The Village:** Yvonne Pruitt, 2009, Just found out.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**February 9, 2013:** District 3-H Convention, Village United Methodist Church, 2501 W. Britton Road.  
**February 23, 2013:** Edmond LC 50th Anniversary, \$18.00 per plate. Send Reservations to PCC Bob Austin by 2/19/13.  
**February 28, 2013:** Harrah LC Disk Golf Tournament  
**March 12, 2013:** Edmond Chili Supper, Edmond Nazarene Church  
**March 21, 2013:** OKC Capitol Hill Pancake Breakfast, 3616 S. Robinson, OKC  
**April 09, 2013:** OKC Metro LC Jewel Box Theater Fund Raiser  
**April 13, 2013:** Midwest City LC 89er Day BBQ Brisket Dinner, 4:30 - 7:00 pm, \$8.00/person, Midwest City High School Cafeteria, 211 E. Elm, Midwest City, Bingo, Raffle, Silent Auction  
**April 26-27, 2013:** Lions of Oklahoma State Convention, Marriott Hotel, 3233 NW Expressway, OKC.

May 2013: Cashion LC 50th Anniversary, Cashion School Cafeteria.

### CLUB NEWS

**Carney:** Dec. 15, handed out goodie bags to children visiting Santa  
**Cushing:** Four Lions joined in the National Walk to School Day on Oct. 3. Gave the Boys Ranch \$500.00 at the Christmas Party along with two boxes of fruit. Collected and donated food to the local food pantry.

**Davenport:** 10 Lions are selling tickets for the Feb 9, FFA Chili and Bean Supper.

**Edmond:** Delivered fruit with the help of Boy Scouts. Troy Jenkins spoke to us about White Cane. Dec 11 we gathered at the home of Ted and Jo McCarley for a potluck Christmas Dinner and meeting. Reservations for our 50th Anniversary must be in by Feb. 19. PID Pat Shurley is our speaker.

**Langston City:** 1 Lion attended the Boys Ranch Christmas Party, presented \$500.00. Gave 2 food baskets to 2 families in Langston. Donated 221 new books to Coyle Elementary.

**OKC Capitol Hill:** We are having our annual Pancake breakfast March 21st 2013. Everyone is invited. For more info contact Pres. Al Lindley at [alofthehouse@sbcglobal.net](mailto:alofthehouse@sbcglobal.net) or secretary Don Hamman @ [bbcarts@cox.net](mailto:bbcarts@cox.net).

**OKC Metro:** Gave 51 books to the Boys & Girls Club. Gave a food basket to a family of 6.

**OKC West Side:** Participated in Mobil Meals. Recycled eye glasses.

**Stillwater Noon:** 12 Lions spent \$750.00 as they took 10 elementary school children on a Christmas Shopping trip.

**The Village:** DG McMasters picked up 4 sacks of food and delivered them to the Britt-Village Food Pantry.

## PASSPORT – A DAY OF VISITATION

### TO THE OKLAHOMA LIONS STATE PROJECTS APRIL 25, 2013 And "LETS PLAY BALL"

In conjunction with the Lions of Oklahoma State Convention you are invited to visit our State Projects along with the Oklahoma Lions Children's Park:

The day will begin at the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch, located close to Perkins OK, specifically at the Meadows at 11:00 a.m. with a spaghetti dinner, followed by dessert served at the Cedars. Please RSVP by April 19 (405-547-2462) so they will know how many to prepare for. You may also call this number for directions to the Ranch.

From the Boys Ranch you may travel to the Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank located on 3840 Lincoln Blvd. OKC (405-557-1393), Lion Jeanette King Exc. Director.

Then onto the Lions of Oklahoma State Office at 3:00 p.m., located at 4123 NW 10th Street OKC, to view the remodeling and the Brick Plaza and the Mobile Health Screening Unit.

At 4:30 p.m. this will give you a great chance to enjoy the beauty of the Oklahoma Lions Children's Park, located at Lake Hefner.

You are welcome to visit all or any of the places listed above. A Passport will be provided at the locations and you are asked to have those initialed for each visit and turn in at the registration desk at the State Convention for a drawing for a one night free room at the Marriott.

Once again we will have the opportunity to attend a Oklahoma City Red Hawks Baseball game in the evening.

On Thursday evening April 25 the Red Hawks (ASTROS) will play New Orleans Zephyrs (MARLINS). Game time is 7:05 p.m. with gates to open at 6:00 p.m. Ticket information is on the Registration form on the back page of this paper.

Look Forward in Seeing You  
VCC Arlene Shore  
Convention Chair

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STATE CONVENTION**  
April 26-27, 2013  
**MARRIOTT OKLAHOMA CITY**  
3233 Northwest Expressway, Oklahoma City, OK 73112  
(405) 842-6633

**Convention Room Rate: Standard King or Double –\$93.00 plus tax (currently 13.875%); -All reservations need to be made individually. The Cut off date for Lions group is: April 11, 2013. After cut off date reservations will accepted only if rooms are available. For Reservations call (405) 842-6633): You must report that you are with Lions of Oklahoma State Convention to receive the discounted rate.**

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION**

**The sponsoring clubs are responsible for registration and meals of their "speech" & "peace poster" contestants and their guests.**

Registration-Lion/Inon-Lion (Postmarked on or before April 20, 2013) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00

Late Registration (Postmarked after April 20, 2013) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00

Leo Members/Youth \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$00.00

Registration Hours Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Saturday 7:30 a.m. - Noon

**MEALS**

**FRIDAY NOON: PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS (BONE YARD) ANNUAL MEETING ALL LIONS WE LCOME**

Lions/Business Attire \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 \$

Classic Mixed Green Salad, Country Fried Steak and Gravy, Dessert, Coffee, Tea & Water. \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY EVENING: (Lions Casual) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$21.00 \$**

Pasta Primavera: Caesar salad, penne pasta with herb chicken breast, mixed vegetables, Alfredo sauce, Italian cream cake, rolls, coffee tea, water

**SATURDAY NOON: (Casual/Lions/Business) Lion/Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00**

Rosemary and Black pepper crushed pork loin, mixed green salad, rosemary roasted potatoes and fresh vegetable, carrot cake, tea, coffee, water and rolls.

**SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET: (Business/Semi-formal Attire) Lion/Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$26.00**

Chicken Piccata-chicken breast seasoned and seared, lemon Beurre Blanc, strawberry field salad, Yukon gold potatoes and Julienne vegetables, amaretto almond cheese cake, rolls, coffee, tea, & water.

**Meals guaranteed only if registration is received by April 22, 2013**

**Thursday NIGHT APRIL 25 REDHAWKS (ASTROS) VS New ORLEANS ZEPHYRS (MARLINS)**

**BALLGAME-7:05 P.M.**

Tickets ..... @ \$11.00

Pin Trader Tables..... @ \$20.00

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Lions Club \_\_\_\_\_ First Timer: \_\_\_Y\_\_\_N

Name of spouse/guest/Leo: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/guest First Timer: \_\_\_Y\_\_\_N

Recognition of 25 Years Women in Lions: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Joining: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Leo First Timer: \_\_\_Y\_\_\_N

SPECIAL NEEDS AND/OR SPECIAL DIET REQUESTS: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail registration form (with check payable to Lions of Oklahoma) Virginia Rodriguez 4123 NW 10<sup>th</sup> St. Oklahoma City OK 73107-5801