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Message from your Council Chair



Hello to the Lions of MD 28. I would like to take a minute and thank all of the Lions of 28-U for letting me serve as your District Governor. It was an honor and a fantastic experience. I met a lot of great members along the way. I was welcomed into many clubs. I was able to learn what many of our clubs are doing in their communities. We serve in many different ways.

I also want to thank those that serve as club officers, those that served on the district cabinet, and also at the multi-district level. We have smart and talented Lions throughout the state. I would challenge all Lions to step up and accept one of these positions.

Our MD Treasurer/Secretary, DeOrr Peterson, is in his 20th year of service in this position. This will be his last. Many thanks to Deorr for his service. He is counted on to serve in his hometown as well as at the MD level. We need someone from U or T to step in and be the next Treas/Sec. We could split the two positions and have 2 people help out. Please think about getting involved in the MD cabinet.

I look forward to being Council Chair for the current year and working with DG's Wayne King and Rich Gillette. They will serve their districts well. Please support all their efforts and know that their cabinets are here to help clubs in any way they need help. 28-T's convention is Sept. 28 & 29. 28-U will hold theirs on Oct.12 & 13. Please support these conventions. I know both Governors will have fun and informative district conventions. My own club, Bingham Canyon will host the MD convention in May. We are committed to keeping costs down and having the best convention ever! Until next time, good health to all and see you soon. Council Chair Bruce Hyde

DG 28 T Rich Gillette message



First off, I would like to thank the wonderful Manti Lions Club for hosting the convention this spring.

There are many reports from clubs in the district indicating this year is off to a banner start. There are just a few I'd like to highlight. Parowan Club hosted and ran a Ranch Rodeo for the 24th celebration which I hear was a big success. The Fountain Green Club held an exotic car show and cookout. The Washington Club held its steak dinner in Pine Valley (super nice) at which time the new officer were installation.

It would be my honor to invite you to welcome Lions International Director Donal Knipp and his wife Betty to our District 28T Convention this September 28th and 29th as we celebrate Parowan Lions Club 50th Anniversary.

This convention will be one to remember as Lion Phyllis has put together many informative and fun activities for us. Please see the attached registration form.

This year is going to be a good one. Please contact me or check out our Facebook listings below, if you need support.

This year I would like to offer any help to all the clubs and members in District 28T. One idea I had was creating a district 28T Facebook page, so all clubs can post upcoming service projects and fundraisers. This page can be found at: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/112173232261844/>, or you may use the Cedar City Lions Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Cedar-City-Lions-Club/113942095288772>

I look forward to meeting many of the club members this year and visiting your clubs.

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Lion Rich Gillette will be serving as your district 28 T governor for 2012 / 2013. He joined Lions in 1995. Originally from Tooele, he has lived in Cedar City since 1985. DG Rich has three beautiful daughters. The oldest just graduated from SUU. The other are 9 years old and 12 years old.



28 U DG Wayne King message

Fellow Lions, Newly installed international president, Wayne Madden's theme "In a World of Service" creates a new way of thinking in our Lion's lives. It is a call to action, not only in your community, but also in your district and multi-district. Michael Jordan once said "I've always believed that if I put in the work, the results will come." If we put our time and work

into our communities, we will achieve results. The results will come in both membership and also in satisfaction of one's self. I believe "In a World of Service" should start at home. We should believe that if we help our communities in ways they haven't been served, then we will be better off. If you touch one person's life in your community, you will always be remembered and have your biggest fan. We are the best kept secret in our communities, so we need to go out there and take some action and tell our story. If we can help our communities and surrounding areas, the world will be an easy assignment. President Madden wants us to remember a simple yet effective formula for Lions. It is: Dedication + Preparation + Teamwork = Excellence. He is asking us to identify new ways to serve: Invite new ideas, use the social media, revitalize traditions, and develop new leaders of our organization. Wayne Madden's belief is "change is inevitable, growth is optional."

Our motto is: "We Serve." I think in the past, some of us have gotten away from the service of Lions.

I am looking forward to making this a memorable year. I look forward to meeting each of you and hope that with everything that's going on in your lives, Lions will be a part of it. Remember one thing- that it all started with a mouse (Walt Disney). Let's have a service year.

Yours in service, DG Wayne King

DG Wayne King was born in Salt Lake City in 1947. Wayne was raised in Bountiful, until he was ten years old, when his mother died. He was sent to live with an uncle in Star Valley Wyo. After living there for three years, the house they lived in burned down. Wayne was sent to live with several other foster families until he was sixteen and ran away back to the Bountiful area, getting his own apartment. Wayne had to quit school to support himself, until he was drafted to serve in Viet Nam in 1966

After being discharged with an honorable discharge in 1968, Wayne went back to school, finished high school and went to college.

In 1968, Wayne started working for Questar Gas, then named Mt Fuel, as a meter reader. After 34 years, Wayne retired in the marketing and sales department.

Wayne married his best friend and partner in service, Diana. They have four awesome children, fourteen beautiful grand children and their first great-grand child is on the way.

Wayne has served on the board of Davis County United Way, Davis County Chamber of Commerce, Advisor with Jr. Achievement, President, and Advisor council, Jr Achievement . He has been a member of the Bountiful Lions club for 25 years, serving as president two terms. He served as Turkey shoot chairman for six years.)

2012/13 LIONS CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD

We hope you are proud to be a Lion and a member of your Lions Club. If you put that pride to work, your Club can be recognized as an Excellent Lions Club for this Lions year. The award procedure requires the completion of an application form and the completing of **all of** the following items during the year:

Club must be in good standing

Club must conduct three service projects

Club must make a contribution to the Lions Club International Foundation

Club must have a net growth in membership or sponsor a new club

Club must publicize service activities in local media or Club newsletter

All Club Officer positions filled, and a majority of same attending Leadership Training

Club has hosted regular and meaningful club meetings, and has submitted the

Monthly Membership Report, Service Activity Report, and the Club

Officer Report (PU 101) in a timely manner

The application for this Award is available for download on the LCI Web site and must be submitted to LCI with the **District Governor's Signature** by **September, 20, 2013**. Contact your Global Membership/Leadership Team for any questions. Go for it!

PDG Bob McKenzie

District 28 U GLT Coordinator



Lions Gary Howard and Bob McKenzie doing officer training at the Holladay Lions house.



The Helen Keller Challenge

“Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness; no little deaf, blind child untaught; no blind man or woman unaided? I appeal to you Lions, you who have your sight, your hearing, you who are strong and brave and kind. Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness?”



Executive Director Lion Chris Hanna and Lion PDG Carolyn “Little Red” Birch



Lion Chris Hanna presents Lion Elmer Inman with his award.

Chalking Up Another Successful Year for the Heart of the Lion Program

May 23rd marked the fifth anniversary celebration dinner for the Heart of the Lion Courier Program at the Utah Lions Eye Bank. With 209 corneas delivered in 2008 by our dedicated Utah Lions, this surpassed the 88 corneas delivered in 2007 giving cause to really celebrate the success of the program!

Volunteer Lion couriers from Ogden to Provo attended the event and were treated to a savory steak and shrimp dinner enjoying every bite. As with last year’s event, there was also some “work” involved as Lion couriers were required to take part in the annual Defensive Driving Safety course provided by the University of Utah. However, it did not hamper the festivities as the Lions persevered through the 25-minute video program and 20-question competency exam that followed.

After the annual training for our couriers, Executive Director, Lion Chris Hanna, concluded the event by presenting two awards honoring two very special Lions:

Lion Carolyn “Little Red” Birch was recognized for her two years of service and commitment to the Heart of the Lion Program. Lion Carolyn’s responsibilities included the monthly contact and assignment of volunteer Lion couriers as well as ensuring a Lion was available for each delivery needing to be made. Despite her health-related concerns, Lion Carolyn worked diligently to secure coverage for the program and now that her two years of exceptional service has ended, Lion Tom Barron has agreed to “take the reins”.

Lion Elmer Inman was also honored with an award as he provided the program with the highest level of service in 2008. Delivering 64 sight-saving corneas, Lion Elmer led the pride in tissue deliveries. Always on-time and never late, Elmer ensured every surgeon was satisfied including a couple of occasions where he was required to return to the surgery center to pick-up tissue he had already delivered due to late surgery cancellations.

The Utah Lions Eye Bank not only recognizes and appreciates the hard-work and dedication of these two Lions, but of all our Utah Lions, especially those in the Heart of the Lion Courier Program. The success of the program would not be possible without the “We Serve” attitude embodied by each one of our Lions.



Hello Lions. Fountain Green Lions hosted for the fourth time a Car Show and Dutch Oven Cookoff, with the fetching title "Hot Cars & Hot Cookin'" on August 18, 2012, beginning at 9 a.m. for car registration, and 10 a.m. for the cooks. Participants came (over, up or down depending on where they started) to this great event. After judges had a chance to taste the fare offered in the dutch ovens, there was a "chow down" for one and all. Lions helped out the

loaves and fishes problem by barbequeing up 100 pounds of turkey, 15 dozen ears of corn, and a few gallons of beans. Sue Player, President, Fountain Green Lions Club.

Youth Exchange

Youth Exchange is a program of Lions Clubs International. It is designed to help promote understanding and good will among the peoples of the world.

It is an opportunity for youth between the ages of 16 to 21 to travel to another country for a 5 to 6 week cultural exchange. The youth are to be among those who will be good representatives of their community and state as well as the local Lions and Lions International. The youth spend 4 to 5 weeks with a host family and one week at an International Youth Camp operated by the Lions in the local country.

It is the responsibility of the local Lions Club to find these youth, to assess the family needs, and to help the family raise the funds for transportation, if necessary. The host family will supply a home and meals. The youth need to supply their spending money. They are not to travel alone before or after their exchange; they are not to drive or to date. They are to be a part of the host family and to act accordingly. This is a cultural exchange, not an educational one; nor is it a vacation where they can expect to be catered to or waited on.

We are also looking for families to host the youth coming in during the same time. These families are to take the youth into their homes and provide them with a room, meals, and laundry. The exchange usually takes place from the last part of June to the first part of August.

If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please contact:

Lion Carolyn Dansie

MD28 Youth Exchange Director 801-255-7309