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## MD21 HAS A NEW INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Dick Sawyer from the Overgaard Ponderosa Lions Club was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 92nd International Convention, held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, July 6-10, 2009.

Director Sawyer has been a Lion since 1996 and has held many offices within the association, including District Governor, Multiple District Retention Chairperson, and Multiple District Coordinator for the MERL team. He has also been involved with Leadership training in his district and the Multiple District of Arizona.

As a director, he will serve with 33 other directors, two vice-presidents, and the International President elected from around the world. Fourteen of the directors came from the United States and its affiliates. Together, the directors served the association by supervising all officers and committees of the board and association; managing association business, property and funds; and preparing and approving the association's fiscal year budget.

Additionally, he will be traveling to other districts and multiple districts within the Lions Constitutional Area #1, the United States and its affiliates and Constitutional Area #2, Canada. On his visits, Director Sawyer will inform district leaders of recent developments at Lions Clubs International, meet with individual Lions, and impart the International President's message.

International President, Eberhard Wirfs from Kelkheim am Taunus, Hessen, Germany, has selected as his 2009-2010 International Theme, "Move to Grow". President Wirfs believes that Lions should achieve growth in social understanding, identify potential leaders in our districts, move to grow membership, and continue to induct women and young adults into our clubs.

Currently, Lions Clubs International is comprised of over 1.3 millions members from over 205 countries and geographic areas making it the largest service organization in the world. Whenever a Lions club gets together, problems get smaller. And communities get better. That's because we help where help is needed – in our own communities and around the world – with unmatched integrity and energy.

Director Sawyer would like to thank all of the Lions of MD21 for their help in getting him elected. Especially, he would like to thank his election committee chairman, PCC Alan Lundgren and the committee consisting of PCC Dave Lambert, PCC Joan Williamson, PCC Bob Lee, PDG Ralph Williamson, PDG Donna Anderson, PDG Larry Colbert, PDG Tom Simmons, PDG Gary Carmack and Lion Dave Webster. Giving direction to the campaign were PID Dave Roberts, PID Joe Preston, PID John Walker and PCC Bob Jones. He would also like to thank, the 2008 – 2009 Council of Governors; PCC Phil Castrovinci, DG Rand Terwilleger, DG Tom Spering, DG Bill Menard, and the 2009 – 2010 Council of Governors; CC John Hart, DG Ann Roberts and DG Phil Phillips.



## Lions Clubs International Convention Report by PID Joe Preston

Minneapolis, Minnesota successfully hosted one of the best international conventions in recent history. There were about 12,000 Lions from over 80 countries that showed up. This was much smaller than many previous international conventions, but the events were outstanding.

The weather was delightful, in the 70's and 80's during the daytime, with lower than normal humidity. There were very few bugs, and only got one bug bite.

Getting around downtown, where the convention was held, was hard because of all of the one way streets and road construction. As part of the construction, many of the street signs were taken down. This made it challenging, and at times exciting.

On Sunday, we got done early campaigning for international director candidate Dick Sawyer, so I decided to walk the 12 blocks, alone, from my hotel to the Metrodome to see the Minnesota Twins play the Detroit Tigers in baseball. Just ahead of me was a young couple. As we crossed one of the closed streets, a good sized young man, obviously a street person, came up and approached the young couple for money. They declined and walked on. The street person then confronted me. I shook my head "no" and walked on.

Apparently the street person was desperate and in need of a fix. I wasn't paying much attention but he was swearing at me. Then from the corner of my eye I saw him attack me from my right. He ran at me, jumped, and tried to kick me in the head. Luckily I saw him and was moving away from him, and was able to stick my hand up and block the kick.

I don't remember making eye contact with my attacker, again. He was still mumbling at me, but turned away. The young couple ahead of me had turned to see what the commotion was. Although they did not say or do anything, they might have deterred further aggression from my attacker. I don't know what would have happened had his kick hit me squarely?

I went on and enjoyed the game. The Twins won. I feel very lucky. The event did not deter me from continuing to walk all over downtown Minneapolis over the next few days. However, I was much more aware of my surroundings. I think we all need to say a prayer for the lost and addicted souls roaming our communities.

The big news is that we were able to successfully elect Dick Sawyer, the newest International Director from the Great State of Arizona. I was very proud of the campaign. The Sawyer Team was able to put on under the leadership of PCC Alan Lundgren. Although there was less than 40 Lions from Arizona, we were very visible. The speech Dick made at the Candidates Caucus was an A+. His message was enthusiastic, heartfelt and to the point. Several international leaders commented on how polished Dick was.

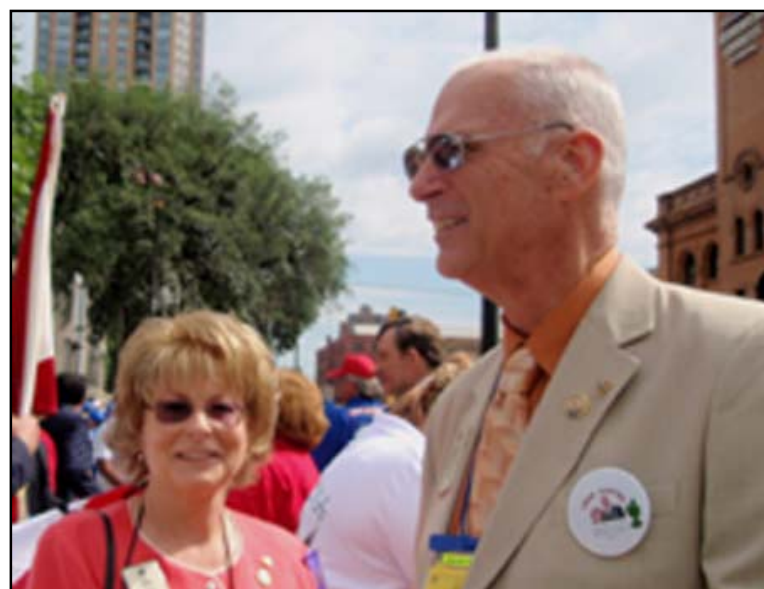
Congratulations to everyone who supported Dick, and helped him reach his goal. We here in Multiple District 21 know how to get things done, and make things happen! However, we also had a lot of support from many of our Lions friends from around the globe.

International President Al Brandel and his wife, Maureen, did a tremendous job for us this past year, and their fingerprints were all over the convention. From the Flag Ceremony, to the Beach Boys, to Collin Powell's keynote address to the parade ... everything was upbeat, positive and geared to make you feel good as a Lion. The convention center was state of the art and they spent the extra money to provide high quality audio visual support. On a scale from 1 – 10, this convention was a 10.

You cannot leave an international convention without being changed. There is something about intermixing with Lions from all over the world. Visiting with them, seeing their native costumes and sharing Lions with them. Although each of the 45,000 clubs we have do things differently, we all put our hearts and souls into improving our communities and reaching out to the less fortunate.

At the closing session, District Governors Ann Roberts, Phil Phillips and Jim Brotherton were officially administered their oath of office by incoming International President Eberhard Wirfs, from Germany. We wish all of our leaders well for this coming year. They have big shoes to fill, and proud traditions to carry forth.

Next year the convention goes down under to Sidney, Australia. It will be winter time there, but it should be mild with the temperatures in the 50's and 60's. I hope to see you there.



Lion Faye and ID Dick Sawyer

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**Leading The Charge**

Submitted by PDG Ralph Williamson, MD-21 Leadership Chair

I was watching the History Channel the other day on a program about how Ulysses Grant took charge. After the battles of Shiloh and Vicksburg, when Ulysses Grant had developed fully as a general, he was called upon to resolve a crisis in Tennessee, where the Chattanooga had become a trap for Union forces. Grant's decisions underscored his competence, in the following ways:

He showed decisiveness. When named commander of a new western division, Grant was given the choice of keeping or replacing Major General William Rosecrans as commander of the army of the Cumberland. He replaced Rosecrans with Major General George Thomas, who saved Rosecrans army as it retreated from the Chickamauga.

He delegated authority. Despite lingering injuries from two months earlier when his horse fell on him, Grant joined Major General William Sherman for a painful, 60 mile horseback trek over the mountains to the Chattanooga, where upon he added that Sherman be promoted to command the Army of the Tennessee in Grant's place.

He executed bold plans. To adequately fight on the western front, Grant approved General William "Baldy" Smith's creative plan to open a supply route, the "Cracker Line" and executed it within days, that right away brought 400,000 rations and 39,000 pounds of forage to troops who'd been subsisting on short rations.

He substituted action for hesitation. Both sides were stunned at how quickly Grant turned the Unions fortunes. "You have no conception of the change in the army when Grant came," one veteran wrote. "He opened up the Cracker Line and got a steamer through. We began to see things move. We felt that everything came from a plan. He began the campaign the moment he reached the field."

When we look at our MD we need to open the "Cracker Line" or for us the "Membership Line with Leadership" and we can do the same as Ulysses Grant did with the great leadership we have in our Multiple. To do this it will also take decisiveness, delegate authority, execute bold plans, we definitely need to substitute action in place of hesitation.

Let's all put our heads and hands together and have a great year.

"The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will."

Vince Lombardi (1913-1970)

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**MD Directory Changes**

Camelback Mountain Lions Club Secretary is: Roberta Degand-Bradshaw.  
USA Canada Forum, Memphis, TN September 24 - 26, 2009  
3rd Council Meeting is March 26, 2010 in Prescott.  
4th Council Meeting is May 21, 2010.  
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**NOTICE TO ALL MD 21 CLUB TREASURERS**

**QuickBooks/QuickBooks Pro Workshop**

We have been told many times that the workshops for Club Treasurers are not detailed enough, with this in mind 1st VDG Art Downs is willing to give a QuickBooks/Pro workshop on September 12, 2009 in Building "C" upstairs at the LFA campus. Registration at 8:30 am and the workshop will end at 12:00. There will only be water available. This program will give you the opportunity to learn how to track your income and expenses; investments, inventory, membership, etc., and teach you how to keep both your administration and project accounts in good order, you will also learn how to give good financial reports to your membership.

There will only be room for 30 individuals sitting in classroom arrangements so please RSVP as soon as possible to PDG Ralph Williamson 602-622-2401, Fax 623-934-1052 or e-mail [rw@ctcaz.com](mailto:rw@ctcaz.com).

Hey...you can also use this program for your home or business also. If you already have the program, but don't use it to its fullest capability then come and learn how to!

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**Prescott In NOVEMBER!**

200-plus Arizona Lions, Lioness, Leos & Guests will assemble at the Prescott Resort, Prescott, AZ, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 for the **13<sup>th</sup> Annual Leadership Development Forum & Mid Year Conference**.

The Lions of District 21-B will be your host for this weekend of LEARNING and CAMARADERIE. If you have not previously attended the Mid-Year, take a look at the "First-Timer's Introduction" on the MD website to get a feel for what we're up to.

The Leadership Forum, under the guidance of PDG Ralph Williamson, MD21 Leadership Chairman, begins at 1:00 P.M. on Friday, and he has many new programs planned for your education and enjoyment which will be detailed in next month's CSL.

Our International Guest for the weekend is **ID Doulas A. Lozier** and his wife, Lion Kathy, from Indianapolis, Indiana. Director Lozier is a corporate environmental manager, and a Boilermaker from Purdue University. He will be providing insights on leadership that all Lions in positions of responsibility can use, in daily life as well as in Lionism.

The Host Committee is bringing back the popular **BLACKJACK Tournament** on Friday Evening in conjunction with Bucky's Casino, with over 50% of the entry fees coming back as prizes. As many of us are not avid Blackjack players, an explanation and the rules will be published on our MD and District web sites and in the Canyon State Lion. **Sign up now** as we only have openings for 90 players.

Also, on Friday evening, the Host Committee is sponsoring a FREE Progressive Dinner for all registered attendees. This event proved very popular at the May MD State convention, and is a terrific chance for everyone to meet each other and get acquainted.

The **International LUNCHEON** on Saturday will feature ID Lozier's main address and also feature award presentations.

And instead of a formal, sit-down dinner with speaker Saturday night, the Host Committee and the Council of Governors will be hosting an excellent buffet dinner and a "**Woodstock Remembered**", a hippy-dippy musical gathering (for those of us who remember the '60's). So dig out those bell bottoms, tie-dyes, granny glasses, and headbands (but skip the doobies) and come prepared for a low-key evening of fun, fellowship and friendship with the Lions, Lionesses, Leos and Guests of MD-21. (If you prefer to remember 1969 in your jungle fatigues and combat boots, that's O K, too). The business of the Multiple District as well as the individual Districts will take place on Sunday morning with Cabinet meetings and the MD Closing Session. Note: Your Host Committee has held down the cost and are pumping up the enjoyment for this important annual event. The early-bird reservation fees are the same as 2008, and we intend to have the best-ever Mid-Year!

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!!!!**

Lion Carl Johannesen, MD Conference Chairman

**Arizona Lions Vision Center**

Submitted by PDG Donna Anderson, Board President

Arizona Lions Vision Center needs your help. As many of you know, our Mobile Eye Unit is getting very old and a replacement is needed badly.

While working toward the day when a new, modern unit with all new equipment will be on the Center's financial agenda, the board of directors would like to be able to upgrade, even if it is just a unit with less years and mileage than the one we currently are using.

So, Lions, if you have or know someone who has a mobile unit - whether one pulled by a truck, a fifth wheel or an RV that is in good road condition and available for sale or as a tax write-off, please call Board President Donna Anderson, 928 425-2753, or e-mail at:

donnaguy@theriver.com.

Do not be concerned about the condition of the furniture inside because we will need to clear it to provide the proper configuration and equipment for our use.

**Multiple District 21 Mid-Year Conference & Leadership Forum First Timer's Introduction**

The MD-21 Mid-Year Conference and Leadership Forum is designed to provide an opportunity for the Lions of our Multiple District to gather for education, fellowship and fun. The 300 or so Lions attending from all over Arizona are afforded the opportunity to attend a variety of educational sessions provided by the MD Leadership Team, chaired by Past District Governor (PDG) Ralph Williamson. The sessions vary each year and involve training in club and district management, as well as life-enrichment programs applicable to all Lions. The specifics of program content can be found in the Schedule of Events posted on the MD web site.

The dress code for all events is Lions casual, vests or club shirts, with appropriate

**13th Leadership Development Forum & Mid Year Conference**



**Multiple District 21**  
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**November 6, 7, & 8, 2009**



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Registration Fee (BEFORE Oct 5th, 2009) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Friday NIGHT - BLACKJACK TOURNAMENT \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Int'l Luncheon-Lions & Lioness \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 18.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday - Reliving the '60's,

A Hippy Gathering Dinner, Dancing & FUN \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 30.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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Friday NIGHT - BLACKJACK TOURNAMENT \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Int'l Luncheon-Lions & Lioness \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 22.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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accessories. (See below for details on the 60's celebration on Saturday night).

In addition to the educational aspect, there will be a Multiple District Council Meeting, where the 3 District Governors (DG's) make decisions and policy affecting all Lions in Arizona. Each individual District will also hold a District Cabinet Meeting, to address issues and concerns in each. The meetings are scheduled for 1 1/2 hours each.

Usually, the Mid-Year is the opening of the campaign season for candidates for 2nd Vice District Governor (VDG). Most of the candidates will be attending, to meet and greet and solicit votes for their candidacies. Some will host Hospitality Rooms, where food and refreshments (of varying potency) are provided at no charge. Various other Lions-supported organizations will also host Hospitality Rooms, to raise general awareness of their specific project or cause.

On Friday evening, there will be a Blackjack Tournament in Bucky's Casino for up to 90 Lions to play off for significant cash prizes. The \$20 entry fee could return several hundred dollars if you are a real player. If not, it's \$20 of good entertainment.

As for meals, in 2009 we will be having a

Progressive Dinner on Friday evening, where clubs representing the 3 Districts will provide hors d'oeuvres, main dishes and desserts in a communal setting, so that all the Lions can easily mingle and meet each other. Saturday's luncheon is a slightly more formal affair, as it is the main opportunity for our visiting International Director (ID) to speak and impart his or her vision of Lionism and its relation to all of us in Arizona. This lunch is an excellent chance to get a feel for the quality of your International Officers, but they will also be mingling during the entire Conference. The District Governors may also make some of their awards at this luncheon.

Saturday evening will find the Lions at a very informal buffet dinner and dance celebrating the lost days of the Hippy Kingdom. So, dig out your bell bottoms, tie-dyes, granny glasses, headbands, and peasant dresses (but skip the doobies) and get down with the late 60's! The committee is working on a surprise for this event, so watch this space.

In summary, this event is one of our MD's two annual meetings where the leaders (and up-coming leaders) of our state gather to envision and plan the future of Lionism in Arizona, and have a little fun.

## Sydney 2010 – International Convention

Submitted by Lion Hans Groot, Phoenix Valley of the Sun LC

In response to requests from Lions planning to attend the International convention in Sydney, June/July 2010, I will be presenting a series of articles with information regarding Sydney and Australia. Although the United States and Australia have many similarities, there are also differences, some subtle and some extreme, which may catch you off guard.

There are many that say Australia and Canada are alike. They are not referring to the weather, but to the lifestyle and culture. They are also referring to sparseness of the population in a large country. If you are planning to travel outside of the cities, allow enough time to get to your destinations. Sydney is a young city by world standards and was settled by the English in 1788. The first Europeans were a mix of military, convicts, (petty crimes only) and free settlers. The country was slowly settled along the coast and inland, and became a self-governing federation in 1901. Nevertheless, there is much rich history to experience.

Australia is almost the size of the contiguous United States but only has a population of about 20 million. The major cities are large; Sydney and Melbourne metro areas, for example, are around the 4 million each. The nation's population seems to hug the coastal areas with the dry inland only housing small numbers of people.

Prepare for your trip

Firstly, check you have a passport that doesn't expire within 6 months after your trip. You can apply/renew passports with the help of the Department of State at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov).

In the past, you may have needed a visa stamp in your passport, but now visas are electronically attached to your airline ticket. If in doubt, check with your airline booking office.

The Lions International Convention is June - July, which is WINTER in Australia. Sydney's weather is very similar to San Diego, so dress accordingly. If you plan to travel south or to the mountains you will need some warm clothes and perhaps some rain protection.

If you have any health concerns, visit with your healthcare provider well before your trip. Bring your prescriptions with you and your medicines in their original pharmacy containers. You may need to show them at the quarantine/customs point. Any food or plant and animal products also need to be declared to customs officials.

The electricity is 240 volts and the outlets and plugs are different to the US. If you have an appliance you can't bear to do without, you'll need to bring a converter/adaptor.

As for money, I am not a believer in Traveler's Checks. Most major credit cards are accepted and debit cards do ok in the ATM machines. Australian Dollar bills are colourful and start at \$5. Smaller amounts are in coin form.

Next chapter; - How to get there.

## District 21-B Lions Take In Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial

The August 15, 2009 Cabinet Meeting in Thatcher AZ. at Eastern Arizona College will afford all Lions the opportunity to visit the Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial at Ft Thomas. Hosting the Cabinet Meeting, the Safford Lions Club are also the caretakers of the International Memorial and will have the Memorial and Museum open from 1:30 - 4 PM in the afternoon of Aug 15 for Cabinet Meeting attendee's to visit. Assisting during visitation at the Memorial site will be members of Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial Board of Directors.

What a great opportunity for Lions who have never been to MJLIM at Ft Thomas to see what is taking place at their Founder's Memorial. For Lion's who are new to Lionism, they would want to take a look at the history shown in the Museum such as pictures, newsprint, awards and the Wall of Fame. Outside, the Historical Marker and the sidewalk adorned with the names of many Lion Leaders. Perhaps just taking time to reflect on what life was like at Ft. Thomas when Melvin Jones lived there.

Many Lions will have additional interest in what the future holds for the International Memorial site. The MJLIM Board has a vision of "1000 Vanguard's" to celebrate Lions in action. To start with:

1. Rebuild and restore Ft. Thomas as it originally existed when Melvin Jones was raised there.
2. To build a pavilion honoring Native American Indian Nations of the Americas.
3. To build a pavilion displaying the activities and services of Lions throughout the world.
4. To build a pavilion honoring great humanitarians of the world.
5. To build a "Heritage Hall of the Arts, Sciences, Industries and Agriculture".
6. To build a Conference Center, Hotel and RV Park for tourism and conference meetings.

If you want to be part of the "Vision", ask any of your Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial Board of Directors for additional information about the "1000 Vanguard's".

Submitted by: MJLIM Board Member PDG Lion Forrest Chevront

## "21-C'S "SOAR TO EXCELLENCE"

NET + 1 CLUBS

(AS OF 6-30-09)

17 OF 48 CLUBS ARE A NET + 1 OR MORE, GREAT YEAR -CONGRATULATIONS LIONS.

6 OF 48 CLUBS ARE AT THE THEIR STARTING MEMBERSHIP AFTER 12 MONTHS OF +/-'S

Camelback Mnt +7	Camp Verde =
Chino Valley Noontimers +2	Concho=
Flagstaff Sunrise +15	Grand Canyon =
Fountain Hills +4	Holbrook=
Mesa Citrus Gardens +2	Phx Paradise Village=
Mesa Dreamcatchers +3	Tempe=

Mesa East +2

Mesa T-Birds +4

Overgaard-Ponderosa+10

Payson +1

Prescott Sunrise +5

Prescott Valley Early Birds +5

Scottsdale+3

Scottsdale Los Amigo Desiertos+1

Springerville +1

Tempe Sun Devils +5

Williams+1

We lost 74 members in APRIL ,MAY &JUNE. OUR FINAL COUNT FOR 2008-09 IS 1219 LIONS.

Every Lion who brought in a new Lion will receive the DG's Soar To Excellence "Eagle Award"

## Denim and Diamonds Dinner September 18, 2009 - Prescott Valley

The Prescott Valley Early-Bird Lions are hoping you are hungry for a Western meal on September 18th from 5:30 -9 PM. PVEB Lions are throwing the first Denim and Diamonds Dinner at the CASA Senior Center on 9360 E. Manzanita Circle, in Prescott Valley on their newly renovated patio. The menu choices for your dinning pleasure will be, a Rustler's Special 6 oz Flat-Iron Steak or Prairie Chicken (Grilled Chicken Breast- Plain or BBQ) sides includes: Baked potato, Cowboy Beans, Prairie Greens with House Dressing, Biscuit w/Butter-Honey, Apple Pie with Vanilla Ice Cream with Ice Tea, Lemonade and Water all for \$12.00. All proceeds will go back to the clubs charities.

Please save this date: September 18th, for Prescott Valley Early-Bird Lions First Denim and Diamonds Dinner. Join us for a night of great food and fun for everyone, while helping our club charities. For more information on tickets contact Lion Linda 925-9050 or Lion Jim 458-0708 or contact a PVEB Lion for tickets.

## LIONESS WINS TWO TRIPS

Renee' A. Menard

Lioness Linda Walls of the Prescott Noon Lioness club is a lucky lady. She has won two trips in the last two years from the television show, "Live With Regis & Kelly". How many times have you entered contests and never won anything? Is she lucky or persistent? Probably a little of both. Both times she entered the contest by signing up online. She went to Aruba last year and will be going to St. Kitts before November. I would like to think that her giving heart had something to do with her streak. Keep up the good work Linda. She is hoping to win a third time and possibly get the opportunity to appear on the television show wearing her Lioness purple shirt, of course.



At Camp Tatiyee's June 28<sup>th</sup> Open House, the drawing was held for the Normandy Chimes. It was won by PDG Lion Ed and Betty Middlesworth.

Photo courtesy of: Hoppy Hopsicker.

## Lions Sight & Hearing Foundtion

LS-hf.org

Submitted by Donna Rowe/Executive Director

The board and staff of LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION wish to express its most profound thanks to the following Clubs who so graciously remembered us with financial donations.



### 2008-09 Donations From Clubs (7/1/08 - 6/30/09)

- Ajo Lions
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- Casa Grande Lions
- Chandler Ojo Rojo Lions
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- Cottonwood Lions
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- Florence Lions
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- Glendale Evening/Longhaven Lions
- Glendale Sunrise Lions
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- Sun City Host Lions
- Sun City Midweek/Bell Lions
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- Sun City West Sunrise Lions
- Sun Lakes Lions
- Surprise Grand Lions
- Tanque Verde Valley Lions
- Tempe Lions
- Tempe Sun Devil Lions
- Tucson Desert Lions
- Tucson Downtown Lions
- Tucson Leones De La Noche Lions
- Tucson Leones De Las Montanas Lions
- Tucson Rincon Lions
- South Tucson Lions
- Tucson Sunrise Lions
- Tucson Wilmot Lions
- Wickenburg Lioness
- Wickenburg Lions
- Williams Lions
- Yuma Quartermaster Lions

\*The following Clubs brought in eyeglasses after the last issue for fiscal year 2008-09

- Flagstaff Sunrise Lions 21,155 pairs
- Laveen Lions 4,763 pairs
- Needles Lions 2,800 pairs
- Mesa Thunderbird Lions 4,500 pairs

NOTE: LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION will provide FREE GLAUCOMA SCREENING DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER TO CELEBRATE WORLD SIGHT DAY. Please call (602) 954-1723 for an appointment.

\*\* LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION needs your cash donations. Due to stagnating donations, increasing costs and increasing caseloads of people, we must ask you to consider giving your donations now. It's not too early to think about the AZ TAX CREDIT FOR THE WORKING POOR tax credit for donations of \$200.00 single, and \$400.00 for a family. After your Federal deductions - you should get \$\$\$\$ back.

We hope we can avoid having to bill Clubs for their referrals of patients because we can not afford to provide these services FREE in the future. It's up to YOU. . .

# District Governor 21A Column

Submitted by DG Ann Roberts, DG August Newsletter

## “Move to Grow!” New International Theme

Hello! Your District Leadership and Fellow Lions are back from the 2009-2010 International Convention in Minneapolis! What an exciting time to be a Lion! We learned our new International President Eberhard Wirfs' theme is “Move to Grow”. We must take action to grow in humanitarian service, leadership development, club membership and international social understanding.

President Wirfs has chosen the leaf of the ginkgo tree as the symbol of these lofty goals. You will see a replica of the leaf on pins, stationary and the International website (www.lionsclubs.org). For 280 million years the ginkgo tree has thrived around the world. This living fossil has adapted to the earth's changing environment. The ginkgo has both male and female varieties and serves as a metaphor for Lions though out the world. The world continues to change at a faster pace than ever before so we too must move to grow. Without constant change and new activities we will stagnate.

Our mission this coming Lionistic year is two-fold. First, it is up to us to provide activities that will attract new members. Look for people with expertise and talent to join us. And second, we must move to increase public awareness of what Lions do in our individual communities, our nation and the world.

### ON THE DISTRICT FRONT:

You asked for a FUN RAISER and here it is! Sunday afternoon, August 30th join your Lion friends, your neighbors, your families (including the grandkids) for Lions Day at the Ballpark! Game time is 1:10 pm to watch the Diamondbacks vs. the Houston Astros at Chase Field. Lions will be seated in the All You Can Eat section in the Insight Diamond Level. Tickets are only \$27.50. Call PID Dave Roberts (928/684-7989) or email LionDaveR@aol.com. Get a group together. Don't want to drive all the way downtown and have to park? How about going downtown on the light rail?

### HISTORIC FACT:

“Lions have changed my life. I would never have been ambitious enough to seek the Governorship of Georgia had it not been for Lions. I would never have dreamed of being President of the United States had it not been for Lions.” Quote: Past District Lions Governor and Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

## 21A GOVERNOR'S VISITATION SCHEDULE

Rather than assigning dates for District Governor Ann's official visit, she will be taking reservations through the end of August. DG Ann will make every effort to accommodate the date your club chooses. Since some clubs meet on the same day and time, preference will be given to the club asking first. Please call or e-mail her chauffeur PID Dave Roberts with your preferences (LionDaveR@aol.com or 928-684-7989). Since he's driving, he's setting up the schedule!



DG Ann Roberts and PID Dave Roberts at the celebration dinner for District Governors at the Lions International Convention in Minneapolis.

## 1st Annual Peoria Lions Golf Tournament

Due to conflicting schedules and planning issues, the Peoria Pioneer Lions and the Peoria Sunset Lions Club Foundation have had to postpone their Golf Tournament that was scheduled for August 2009 until April 2010. This will be the 1st Annual Peoria Lions Golf Tournament and it will be held at the Trilogy Golf Club at Vistancia, 12575 W. Golf Club Drive, on Saturday, April 17th, 2010; consisting of a foursome best ball event with a shotgun start at 8AM. The Lions Clubs in Peoria are interested in making this an on-going annual event and are looking for anyone interested in playing golf while having some fun at the same time. Golf carts, practice balls, goody bags, and lunch will be included. There will be additional prizes available as well for longest putt, longest drive, and closest to the pin opportunities. The fees are \$80 per individual golfer or \$300 for a foursome, with tournament sponsorship opportunities available; and don't forget, the Foundation is a 501(c)3 tax deductible organization. For more information please contact Lion Jim Mess, 602-881-0522, Lion Rob Mayer, 623-583-3254, or Lion Linda Finley 602-999-5797.

## EYEBALL EXPRESS EXPANDS

The Eyeball Express has reached the midpoint of its third year. This very successful project has expanded to add Tucson Lions to the list of volunteers.

In 2007 Lion Sandy Shiff of the Tucson Breakfast Club was contacted by the University of Arizona Ophthalmology Research Laboratory about a project of transporting eyes for research purposes from Sun Health (now Banner) Research Institute in Sun City to Tucson. Lion Sandy contacted Lion Dave Roberts of the Sun City Midweek/Bell Lions Club. Lion Dave in turn contacted Lion John Bliss, the Executive Director of the Sun Cities Lions Foundation to see if this project could be under the auspices of the Foundation. Lions John said "yes". Lion Dave set out to find volunteers from members of the clubs belonging to the foundation.

Every year since then a new list is circulated to the clubs seeking volunteers. There is always a wonderful response. Unfortunately, a problem arises during the summertime. There are a lot of "Snowbirds" in the Sun Cities and Surprise. A shortage sometimes happens when the volunteers have taken one delivery and the rest of the Lions on the list are out of town.

Lion Dave contacted Lions Sandy and John Hart to see if there was a possibility of having Lions from Tucson go to Sun City, pick up the eyes and return to Tucson. The mileage would be the same. Both Lions stepped forward and became the main contact persons for Tucson. They have visited various clubs and now have a list of Tucson volunteers. Also, two Lions heard about the project, called Lion Dave and volunteered prior to the project start. Thank you Tanque Verde Lions Shawn Dunn and Jerry Dunn.

### Other Volunteer Lions:

Catalina-Ora Valley Lions Club: Betty and Lee Cook, Dawn and Russ Hawk, Lil Mandoske, James and Mary Jane Perkins, Linda Shafor, Larry and Mimi Wittenborn.

Tucson Breakfast Lions Club; Chuck Address, Samantha Bossert, Dom Dominice, Jim Fennewald, Jon Mathews, Mort Smith and Larry Yelton.

Tucson Downtown Lions Club; Nathan Friend, John Hart, Loren and Marianne Larsen and Chuck Sherman.

A big thank you to all.



Officially installed - Green DGE ribbon removed.



PCC Ron Brown saving chair for AZ delegation.



ID Dick Sawyer nomination speech.



New Council Chair John Hart



PID John Walker & PDG Rand Terwilleger



Parade - Working to get Dick elected.

# District Governor 21B Column

Submitted by DG Jim Brotherton, DG August Newsletter  
**WOW, where is the year going?**

I came home from International Convention feeling very good about 21B. We are already doing many of the ideas presented, including active recruitment of women, having fun, and our great Leo clubs.

One of the ideas discussed was recruiting the baby boomers & generation X & Y's.

At Benson we had a session with Sue Porter about generation X & Y's and she will be back to continue teaching us about this group in Safford on August 14 & 15. If you are interested in growing membership, especially with young members, you don't want to miss this presentation.

Speaking of growing, our new International President Eberhard Wirf's theme is MOVE TO GROW. Last year membership in Lions International grew by about 13,000 members. 21B lost 13 members. Let's turn that around this year and be a plus.

### MOVE TO GROW MEMBERSHIP

In some areas of the world, women are not yet fully accepted in Lions Clubs. Here in 21B we long ago recognized the value of women as Lions, not just to fill out membership numbers but because of the special skills, ideas and connections women bring to their clubs. Women make up 35% of our membership in 21B. I have asked Karen Sell of Tucson Downtown to head up an initiative to double the number of women in our district this year.

### MOVE TO GROW LEADERS

Our cabinet meetings will be a little different this year. During my club visits I heard several members say they would attend if they could learn something useful. We will address that request starting in Safford - come to learn about recruiting Generation X & Y members and take a tour of the Melvin Jones Memorial. The spring meeting in Tucson will include a tour of the UofA ophthalmology department.

### MOVE TO GROW PUBLIC AWARENESS

Generation X&Y's go to the internet to find clubs & activities. Are your members on Facebook or Twitter? Tech chair Steve Sinkovich of Tucson Breakfast will be updating our district website and in August International will roll out easy-to-use templates for club websites. We must adopt these new ideas to grow - as we reach younger members we dramatically increase our ability to serve those less fortunate than we are.

### MOVE FORWARD WITH YOUTH

21B has an excellent LEO program and Dom Dominice wants to start a LEO District this year. Currently 21B has two club presidents who started as Leos. We also have an excellent youth exchange program with C. Kirby Smith chaired by Jean Petterson of Sun Lakes. 21B also runs one of the largest peace poster contests in the west. Keep up the great work with the young people.

Speaking of young people, have you heard about the family membership program where children from ages 3-12 are involved with club meetings and community projects? The kids are called cubs and the entire family is involved. More on this later or just ask. What a great idea for a branch or new club.

### ZONE CHAIRS

We will have our zone chairs more involved with their clubs this year, offering guidance to presidents with goals and activities. They have a full MERL team and two VDGs at their disposal for help.

### NEW THIS YEAR

I will be presenting a LION OF THE MONTH for each month. Each zone chair will nominate one member each month, stating why and what the accomplishments were. Then the VDGs, District Secretary, Treasurer and I will select one of the 13 nominees as the Lion of the Month.

That's enough for now.  
 See you in Safford. DG Jim Brotherton



## District 21 B Cabinet Meeting Quality Inn & Suites Safford, AZ AUGUST 14, 2009 – AUGUST 15, 2009 Registration Form



### Each Lion must fill out a Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name on Badge: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Current Office (Club/District): \_\_\_\_\_ (International): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Non – Lion (Spouse/Guest): \_\_\_\_\_ Name on Badge: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Before 8/1/09) (After 8/1/09)  
 Registration Fee \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$18.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sat. Lunch/Eastern Arizona College \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$17.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sat. Dinner/Eastern Arizona College \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$18.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Cabinet Meeting Site:** Eastern Arizona College (EAC), corner of College Ave., and Hwy 70, Thatcher, AZ  
 EAC is 3.4 miles from the Headquarters Hotel. From the Quality Inn, (turn right out of hotel) on Hwy 70 for 3.4 miles.

### Make Your Own Reservations:

Quality Inn & Suites (928) 428-3200 - Headquarters Hotel, 420 E. Hwy 70, Safford, AZ 85546  
 Single/Double \$89.99 www.visitsafford.com  
 Free Live Country Music 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Friday, August 14th

### On your own for dinner on Friday.

Spring Hill Suites by Marriott (928) 428-6900 Single/Double \$89.00 www.marriott.com/tusth

Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

REMIT TO: Safford Lions Club  
 P.O. Box 692  
 Safford, AZ 85548-0692  
 David Green, Chairman (928) 322-5900  
 Ron Hansen, (928) 965-5224  
 Jim Warren (928) 428-1570

## Meet our new DG!

DG Jim and Dottie Brotherton



### Submitted by Karen Sell, District PR Chair

Jim Brotherton of Sun Lakes has stepped up to be DG this year. Married for 25 years to Lion Dottie Brotherton, he is father to five and grandfather to 15. DG Jim made his career in insurance and now works part time as an insurance inspector - when it doesn't interfere with his golf game. He served as supervisor for the town of Cherry Creek and has also operated his own agricultural business in northern New York State. (He'll be putting that experience to use with a new agriculturally based district project this year.)

DG Jim has been a Lion for nearly 20 years, in four different clubs in three states. He also helped to create a new Kiwanis club in NY. He holds three International letters of recognition - one each for leadership, membership growth, and for starting a Leo Club. He has brought in 15 new members - so far - and is a Melvin Jones Fellow.

A woodworker and avid golfer, DG Jim also has pledged to be responsive to ideas of district Lions this year. Do you suppose that means he will be carrying his cell phone on the golf course?

"We are getting more requests for help and for eye glasses than ever before."

That was the report to Apache Junction Lions Club board members from Jeannette Bonucci, Secretary, at the July 14 meeting of the board.

Requests have been deferred for investigation. Besides coming from individuals/families, the cries for help include Genesis, sponsored by Desert Chapel United Methodist Church. The group is seeking extra help for caring for area homeless, she said.

Treasurer Harb Jordan, Treasurer, reported that \$140 was paid for two pairs of bifocal glasses, helping two individuals.

Club meetings are suspended until the first Monday in October because most of its membership are snowbirds. New meeting place will be Superstition Skies Restaurant, 945 E. Scenic St.

Persons who want to help or need help should call 480-983-5278.

### SAFFORD 21-B Cabinet Meeting Agenda

Time	Event	Responsible Person
FRIDAY, August 14 <sup>th</sup>		
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Dinner of your own choosing	Safford Restaurants
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Free Country Music	TBA
8:30 p.m. - ??	Hospitality Suites Open	Individuals with Hospitality Suites
SATURDAY, August 15 <sup>th</sup>		
8:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.	Registration	Safford Lion Clubs
8:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m.	Cabinet Meeting Starts	
	Call to Order of 1 <sup>st</sup> Cabinet Meeting	Acting DG Jim Brotherton
	Invocation	21-B Chaplain Carl Vessels
	Pledge of Allegiance	IPDG Tom Spering
	Patriotic Song	VDG Carl Johannesen
	Welcome by Convention Chair	Lion Dave Green
	Governor's Welcome	Acting DG Jim Brotherton
	Roll Call of Cabinet	CS Barbara Daily
	Cabinet Installation	PID Dave Roberts
	International President's Program	Acting DG Jim Brotherton
	District Goals and Philosophy	Acting DG Jim Brotherton
	The Status of District 21-A	DG Ann Roberts
	The Status of District 21-C	DG Phil Phillips
	MERL-W Team Introduction/Services	VDG Carl Johannesen
	Mid-Year Convention/Leadership Forum	VDG Carl Johannesen
	Approval of May Cabinet Mtg Minutes	CS Barbara Daily
	Approval of Proposed 21-B Budget and Financial Institution	CT Patty Lacy
	Organizational Meeting Club/Committee Chair Handouts	
10:00 a.m.	Tail Twister Time or the "Reign of Terror"	Tail Twister Shawn Dunn
10:15 a.m.	Introduction of our Guest Speaker	CS Barbara Daily
	Generational Differences Refresher	Ms. Sue Porter
11:45 a.m.	Cabinet Meeting Adjournment	Acting DG Jim Brotherton
12:00 p.m.-1:15 p.m.	Lunch	Eastern Arizona College Dining Hall
	"Lessons in Extension – How it Grows Your Club"	VDG Carl Johannesen
1:30 p.m.- 3:15 p.m.	Action Plan for Recruiting Younger Generations	Ms. Sue Porter
1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Tours of Melvin Jones Memorial	Fort Thomas by Safford Lions
3:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Questions for your DG or VDG	Acting DG Jim /VDG Carl
6:00 p.m.	Social Time before Dinner	Eastern Arizona College Dining Hall
6:30 p.m.	Saturday Night Informal Dinner	Eastern Arizona College Dining Hall
	"Thoughts on Lionism and the 2008-2009 Year"	IPDG Tom Spering
8:30 p.m.-??	Hospitality Suites Open	Individuals with Hospitality Suites

### International Cooperation?

#### Lions everywhere help Submitted by PDG Donna Anderson C. Kirby Smithe Youth Exchange

Strange things happen sometimes and this was a strange one. I was at the grocery store when I got a call from Guy, telling me I needed to get home as soon as I could. Seems a customs officer in Seattle, Wash., had called about a girl from Mongolia who said she was going to Alaska for a Youth Exchange program, but she didn't have any verification and he wondered if I could help them.

Help??? How did we get from Alaska to Arizona? So the first thing was to look in an old Lions Club International Directory for names for the Fairbanks, Alaska area. This directory lists all Lions Clubs in the world, with the name and address of the club president and the club address. Of course, the one we had was from 2000-2001, so I knew it may be a guessing game.

We went through the club list for Fairbanks and found a club that was older, thereby being better established, we hoped. Found a name and telephone number and called. Now telling this gentleman in Fairbanks why we were calling him from Arizona was a whole story in itself, but he did know about the Alaska exchange program and knew who would be able to get hold of them.

So we gave him the story – didn't even know the girl's name – but that they had found my name and called me. He said he would call the person that he knew would be able to get hold of the camp director and get them to call this custom's agent in Seattle and verify that the girl was indeed, supposed to be with them.

Then I called the customs agent back and told him the man who would be calling and that he would be calling later in the day. Then I just had to know – I asked how he got my name and he said he went online to the Lions International website, found the information on youth exchange programs sponsored by Lions Clubs, then he checked to see who was in charge of Alaska, but they had not been able to reach them, so they looked at the next state listed – Arizona – and my name as Youth Exchange Coordinator, so they called me.

And we took care of it. We care about young people no matter what their age, although most of the programs are 16-21 or 17-21. But they are traveling alone to a foreign country and we at the C. Kirby Smithe program are almost paranoid about being sure they get here safe and sound and that we take care of them and get them back to their parents, safe and sound.

And while you think this may be an extreme case, it really isn't. We have these things come up from time to time – it is just like the kids say, "stuff happens". We cleaned that up a little, but you get the drift.

### San Manuel Lions By Donald Wright

The San Manuel Lions Club members had a big part in the community celebration for the Fourth of July, with 10 Lions and seven volunteers helping the Lions participate.

Friday evening before the Fourth, the first Electric Light Parade was held and a barbecue was served free to the community by the San Manuel Elks.

On the Fourth, our club had two booths, selling hot dogs, water, sodas, chips, Eegees, shirts of the smoke stacks and did free face painting.

Other organizations sold burros, hamburgers and hot dogs, crafts, etc. IGA had a booth giving away free ice cream and root beer floats. A live band, "Haywire" played music. There was an exceptional turnout for the festival, which also included a flyover before the fireworks. Knights of Columbus presented the color guard, Tom Miller was emcee, John Dicus did the Pledge of Allegiance and Rev. White did the invocation. The Fire Department put on the fireworks display.

Lions who worked the event were Donnie Wright, Mollie Hatmaker, Jean Lummus, Janice Dailey, James Soto, Marvin Ringler, Patrick Soto, President Emilio Soto, Jo Cashdollar and Dennis Tannar. Volunteers who help us were Kristie Arnet, Kim Wright, Dee Reidhead, Lynette Campa, Chelsea Starks, Louie Castillo and Hector Sierra.

San Manuel Action Council did a fantastic job organizing everything.

# District Governor 21C Column

Submitted by DG Phil Phillips, DG August Newsletter

Greetings to all the Lions in District 21C. As your Governor for 2009/2010 I am looking forward to a very good year, but this cannot be achieved without the help and support of each Lion in the District. I believe we have a very good cabinet, all of whom are able to assist you. So let's work together and make this year one to be proud.

The 92nd International Convention of Lions Clubs is now history and we are looking forward to the 93rd. It was a busy time and met many Lions from all over the world. We saw our own PDG Dick Sawyer elected to a seat on the International Board of Directors for a two-year term, he will do all of Arizona proud. Congratulations Dick.

The slogan of our International President this year is Move to Grow and that is something the Lions of District 21C need to do. At one time this past year we were well above the 1250 mark and have now fallen to well below that number. WHY! I firmly believe there are at least two areas where we fall short; lack of a good orientations and failure to get the new members involved as soon as possible. All humans have a strong desire to feel needed, so let's try to get those new members involved.

I would be remiss in not expressing my appreciation to PDG Ralph Williamson for the fine DG training sessions that he chairs each spring for incoming District Governors as well as both VDG's. Much of what was covered in the DG training at Minneapolis was to those of us from Arizona a refresher rather than learning something new. Thanks again PDG Ralph.

Each District Governor has a goal for their year and I set mine, perhaps a little low, but at the same time I believe we can achieve it. I would like to see two new clubs or branch clubs in the District and a net gain of a minimum of two new members per club. This will bring us back above the 1250 mark, but let's not be satisfied with just that figure as we know there are going to be those members who are dropped for various reasons, why not shoot for 1300 total members by June of 2010? I think it can be done by reaching the goals set forth and by providing to new members the two areas listed above, a good orientation and get them involved right away.

To often a lot of us become so set in the way that the club does things that we fail to stop and take a good look at the way the club is going. Plan a retreat away from the regular meeting and meeting place and brain storm ways to improve and grow. Look at your members many of their spouses are not members, why not?? Look to the younger population, many of them have never heard of Lions and what we do, again why not?

There are committee chairs that are almost begging to be invited to your club to present a program yet very few are being called. There are Executive Directors of our State Projects that are more than willing to come to your club and present a program, many of them are never called upon, why not?

I mentioned orientation, to me this is perhaps the most important area that will get a new member off on the right foot. To often a new member is installed and the orientation is left up to the sponsor. Which is fine, providing the sponsor has the ability to provide a good orientation, but many times the sponsor knows less about the Lions than the new member and after a couple of meetings the new member just disappears and no one can or tries to find out why.

We cannot grow if we set back and leave the task up to the next person, each of us must and should be looking at people we meet every day as a new member. We need to access the community in which we live and find out what the needs are and then do what we can to help meet those needs and with more members each one brings extra hands to help the club in fulfilling those needs.

The first cabinet meeting will be held in Payson on August 29 with registration starting at 8am and the meeting at 9am, it will be a one day affair at the Best Western Hotel on Hwy. 87. I look for a very good turn out.

Until then, enjoy your summer, soak in all the warmth you can and look for those new members.

## BANGER RACING

Spend Labor Day in the cool pines of Flagstaff at the European banger races or as we Americans call the event, "DEMOLITION DERBY." The 26th annual, "Wrecreation Weekend", hosted by the Flagstaff Sunrise Lions Club, will be at the Coconino County Fairgrounds, I-17, Flagstaff Airport exit.

The fun begins with a new, donation only, event Friday night, September 4th, gates opening at 6:00 p.m., when small trucks, quads, etc. take to the "Skills Course." You run what you bring!

Saturday and Sunday, September 5th & 6th, gates open at 11 a.m. when both preliminaries and finals will be completed. Remember, the last driver whose vehicle is still operational gets the victory! Prize money and trophies will be up for grabs. Purchase of food, beverages, T-Shirts and "cold beer" will raise additional monies for our Lions projects.

Family friendly event: Friday, September 4th Donation only, Saturday and Sunday, \$5.00 daily admission with children under five years old free. (Does not include Coconino County parking fees). Contact 928-526-9052 or 928-853-8450 for further details.

Renee' A. Menard, Flagstaff Sunrise Lions Clubs- Public Relations Chairperson

## Prescott Noon Lions

### Pancake Breakfast

It was a feast for all ages on June 13 when Yavapai County's Lions and Lionesses converged on downtown Prescott's First Congregational Church for their annual pancake breakfast. Chairman Chuck Matthews of the Prescott Noon Lions reported that the event netted \$4,300 for People Who Care, an organization whose volunteers tend to a variety of ongoing needs of a host of people in Prescott and Chino Valley. Lion Matthews reported that there was excellent feedback from the feed, with many of the diners noting that they're looking forward to next year's event.



## Motorcycles Embark on Show Low

The rumble could be heard for miles as the Flagstaff Sunrise Lions Club road into Camp Tatiyee for the "Open House" on Sunday, June 28th. An unique group in our club is our motorcycle enthusiasts. They try to "ride" on Sunday mornings with their mates. Not to be out done, two members flew their airplanes to Show Low airport with other members aboard. Additionally, cars, trucks, and an R.V. transported 19 members of our club to this event.



With approximately 80 members of our club we have varied interests and talents, but only one goal, "We Serve."

Renee' A. Menard, Public Relations Chairperson-Flagstaff Sunrise Lions Club



## 21C District Cabinet Meeting

Best Western Inn  
Payson, Arizona  
August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2009



### REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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DISTRICT Office: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_ OFFICE: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Includes Lunch)

Registration Fee (AFTER July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 27.50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Includes Lunch)

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Overgaard, AZ 85933

### Schedule of Events

Saturday, August 29, 2009

8:00 a.m.	Registration	Best Western Inn
9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Cabinet Meeting	
12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	LUNCHEON	
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Special Programs	

### Schedule: District 21C Cabinet Meeting August 29, 2009

8:00am	Registration	Best Western Inn
9:00am	Opening of Session	DG Phil Phillips
	Introduction of Guests	
9:10am	Pledge	Wes Edmonds 2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG
	Invocation	Chaplain Ev Moore
	Song	Margie Kelly Zone Chairman
	Roll Call	Carolyn White Cabinet Sec.
9:30am	Zone Reports	Zone Chairmen
10:00-10:15am	Break	
10:15am	Proud Lion/Proud Sponsor	Lion Sandy Phillips
10:45am	Purpose of Orientation	PDG Ed Middlesworth
11:00am	Report from Minneapolis	PCC Alan Lundgren
11:30am	Diabetes Awareness	Lion Laura Wonderly Lion Rene'e Menard
12:30am	Lunch	
1:30pm	LCIF	IPDG Bill Menard
2:00pm	Status of LFA	George Hill, Exe. Director
2:30pm	Billing of Dues	Ron Black, Cabinet Treasurer
2:30pm	Status of District	DG Phil Phillips
3:00pm	Closing Invocation	Ev Moore, Chaplain

HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME AND HOPE TO SEE ALL OF YOU IN PRESCOTT

Dear Lions, Lionesses and Leos of District 21-C, I encourage all to attend the USA/CANADA Forum to be held in Memphis, TN. On September 24-26. It is a time well spent and you will learn a great deal about Lionism and also about how you can better your life outsidess of Lions. The seminars and speakers will present great opportunities for learning. I have always felt that the only time I will ever stop learning is when they lay me to rest. So go to the Website:

www.usacanadalionsforum.org or contact me at www.wiskidd@cableone.net.

There are four meals included in the forum and each comes with a great speaker, Dr. Charles Petty has spoken to the world using laughter to convey his motivational message. LaDonna Gatlin is no stranger to the USA/CANADA Forums and always gets high praise from those attending.

She is the sister of country music's Gatlin Brothers and talent hasn't passed her by. She mixes a message with music and tells people we need to, "sing our own song." She is not to be missed. At Saturday lunch we get the pleasure of listening to the new International Lion's President Eberhard Wirfs. I had the opportunity to hear him at the International convention. He will tell you of his story and what he hopes to accomplish in the upcoming year. Our final speaker of the forum is Craig McFarlane. The victim of a tragic accident at the age of 2, Craig went on to become a world-class athlete, winning over 100 gold medals in a variety of sports, (the majority against sighted competition). These included wrestling, downhill skiing, water skiing, and track and field. These speakers are worth going to the forum itself but there is much more.

There are an incredible amount of seminars and they cover all aspects of being a Lion and beyond. Some of them include; PR/Rebranding of LCI, Its NOT community service-Its Serving your community, The Leadership Hit Parade and In Search of the typical Lion. There are also specific seminars aimed at Presidents, Secretaries, treasurers and zone chairs and all Lions in general. You will find a great number of choices plus you will find thousands of fellow Lions from all over the US and Canada. Besides there is fun to be had. It is in Memphis Tennessee birthplace of the Blues, home of Graceland and lots of great food! So please register soon, prices go up August 1st. For more information hit the Website or contact me .

Lion Mike Kenny 1st Vice District Governor District 21C.

### DG Visitation Schedule

A revision of the visitation schedule for District 21C. I ask all clubs to review, advise if there is a conflict and confirm the date.

Aug 11	Prescott Noon Lioness	12:00 p
Aug 11	Fountain Hills	6:00 p
Aug 12	Phx Valley of the Sun	6:30 p
Aug 18	Pinetop	6:00 p
Aug 19	Winslow	7:00 a
Aug 20	Holbrook	7:00 p
Aug 25	Cottonwood	6:30 a
Aug 25	Scottsdale	6:30 p
Sep 1	Chino Valley Lioness	10:00 a
Sep 1	Sedona-Oak Creek	7:00 p
Sep 2	Prescott Noon	12:00
Sep 3	Flagstaff Noon	12:00 p
Sep 3	Clarkdale-Jerome	7:00 p
Sep 8	Show Low	7:00 a
Sep 9	Springerville	6:00 p
Sep 14	Payson	5:00 p
Sep 17	Snowflake-Taylor	6:30 p
Oct 5	Mesa Dreamcatchers	7:00 p
Oct 6	C aelback Mtn.	7:00 p
Oct 8	Mayer Centennial	6:00 p
Oct 12	Camelback Lioness	7:00 p
Oct 13	Tempe Sun Devils	7:00 p
Oct 14	Mesa Thunderbirds	6:45 a
Oct 14	Scottsdale Pride	7:00 p
Oct 20	Mesa Host	12:00 p
Oct 20	Mesa East	6:30 p
Oct 21	Scottsdale Pinnacle Peak	11:30 a
Oct 22	Mesa Citrus Gardens	5:30 p
Nov 5	Prescott Sunrise	7:00 a
Nov 11	Bradshaw Mtn.	6:30 p
Nov 12	C ap Verde	6:00 p
Nov.17	Payson Lioness	11:00 a
Nov.17	Concho Valley	6:30 a
Nov.18	Overgaard-Ponderosa	7:00 a
Dec 5	Phoenix Barangay	9:30 a
Dec15	Paradise Village	6:45 a
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Jan 5	Tempe	12:00 p
Jan 5	Paradise Valley Evening	7:00 p
Jan 7	Phoenix Billmore	12:15 p
Jan 8	Phoenix Breakfast	7:30 a
Jan 13	Phoenix Phil-AM	7:00 p
Jan 17	Phoenix Dragon	1:00 p
Jan 20	Scottsdale Los Amigos	12:30 p
Jan 22	Phoenix Animation	7:00 p
TBA	Phoenix Social	

### Lions Honored

The 2nd Annual PDG "Monty" Montgomery Spirit Award was presented to PDG Lion Ed and Betty Middlesworth on June 7th at the 46th Anniversary of the Mesa Thunderbird Lions Dinner.

The 1st Annual was awarded to PCC Alan Lundgren of the Scottsdale Lions Club. This annual award in the late PDG "Monty" Montgomery's name recognizes an individual(s) who have gone "Above and Beyond" the call to help those in need in the Community.

Big Congratulations and well deserved to PDG Ed and Betty Middlesworth.

## Calendar of Events

**2009**

Aug 7 1st Council Meeting  
 Aug 8 21A Kick-Off and Cabinet Meeting  
 Aug 14 – 15 21B Cabinet Meeting  
 Aug 22 Prescott Sunrise Lions, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Golf for Kids Sake", StoneRidge Golf Course  
 Aug 29 21C Cabinet Meeting  
 Sep 4 – 6 Flagstaff Sunrise Lions Club, Demolition Derby, Coconino Fair Grounds, Flagstaff Airport Exit  
 Sep 7 Chandler Sunbird Lions, Labor Day Golf Outing  
 Sep 18 Prescott Valley Early Bird Lions, Denim and Diamonds Dinner, CASA Senior Center  
 Oct 1 – 5 Quail Hunters Breakfast, Willow Springs Rd., Hwy 77, Milepost 96 (1/2 mile south of Biosphere)  
 Oct 3 Sun Lakes Lions Club, 4<sup>th</sup> Spaghetti Dinner  
 Oct 17 Camelback Mountain Lions Club, "Octoberfest 2009", Arizona Center for the Blind, 3100 E. Roosevelt  
 Oct 17 San Tan Lions Club, First Annual Golf Classic at Las Colinas Golf Club  
 Oct 29 Phoenix Downtown Lions Club, "Phoenix Greyhound Charity Night"  
 Oct 31 Mesa Lions Clubs Foundation Charity Golf Tournament, Red Mountain Ranch Country Club  
 Nov 5 Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation, Memorial Service  
 Nov 6 2nd Council Meeting  
 Nov 7 – 8 Mid-Year Leadership Conference

**2010**

Jan 9 Melvin Jones Memorial Rededication Day  
 Jan 30 Sun Lakes Lions Club, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Casino Night  
 Feb 20 Chandler Sunbird Lions, "Drive for Sight" Golf Outing  
 Feb 26 – 27 North American Conference of Lions Foundation  
 Mar 12 – 14 21B Convention  
 Mar 13 Chandler Sunbird Lions, Wine & Cheese Expo  
 Mar 26 - 27 3<sup>rd</sup> Council Meeting & 21C Cabinet Meeting  
 Mar 27 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk 4 Sight AZ Event  
 Apr 10 21A Convention  
 Apr 17 Peoria Lions, 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Golf Tournament  
 Apr 17 Officers Training  
 Apr 24 Officers Training  
 Apr 24 Pride of the Lions Charity Golf Tournament, Orange tree Golf Course  
 May 1 Officers Training  
 May 6 – 8 DGE, VDGE, CST, CT Training  
 May 21 4<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting  
 May 21 - 23 MD Convention, Mesa Hilton

Wickenburg Joe Stevens  
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 Safford  
 Prescott Valley Frank Rochon 928-771-8996 lionsgolf@youkdodge.com  
 Payson PCC N. Alan Lundgren  
 Flagstaff IPDG Bill Menard 928-699-9646  
 Chandler PDG Fred Garmeson 480-895-9363  
 Prescott Valley Linda 928-925-9050 or Jim 928-458-0708  
 Don Wright 520-385-4685  
 Sun Lakes Andy Anderson 480-883-2958  
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### Family Unit

Submitted by Joseph Jones

Are you a Lion with 1 or more family members who are also Lions in your club living at the same residence and only want to receive one copy of The Lion Magazine and the Canyon State Lion?

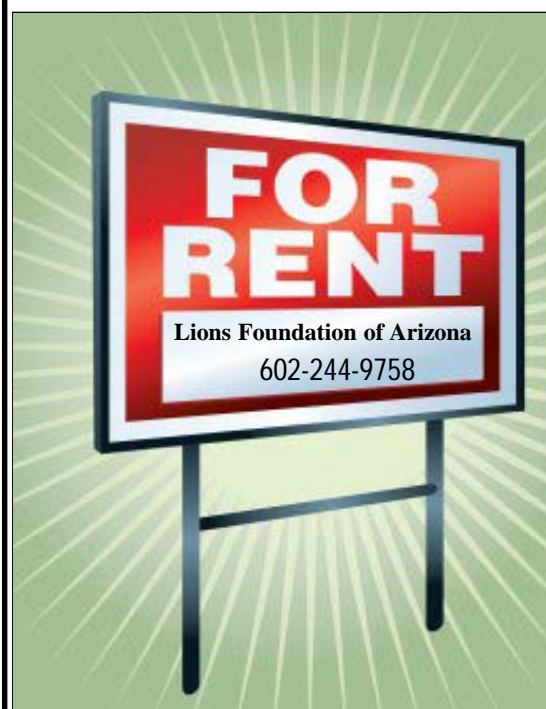
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Have your Secretary update your membership to a Family Unit\*. Instructions for your Secretary can be found at the following web site:

[www3.lionsclubs.org/docs/family\\_unit\\_instructions\\_EN.pdf](http://www3.lionsclubs.org/docs/family_unit_instructions_EN.pdf)

\*Family Unit applies to existing or new Lions in and/or joining the same club and living in the same household related by birth, marriage and other legal means - such as parents, children, spouses, aunts/uncles, cousins, grandparents and in-laws of spouses. Outside of the head-of household, the associated members get half off of their International Dues.



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