

Arizona Lions Vision Center Continues Travel to Navajo Nations



Window Rock, Arizona—Arizona Lions Vision out of Phoenix has been visiting the Navajo Head Start program conducting eye examinations, screenings, and dispensing eye glasses every school year since September 2007.

Arizona Lions Vision has been able to conduct these visits because of a medical grant provided by a Colorado firm. Jeanette Russell, Executive Director for Arizona Lions Vision said, "It is an eye-opening experience every time. It is very rewarding to be with

the kids. The Navajo Head Start staff has always been so out-going, nice and sociable. I am excited to wait and see if we can get another grant so we can continue our service to the children."

Many volunteers assisted with examinations over the years. This time around Arizona Lions Vision brought a limited number due to the amount of funding remaining from the grant. Russell is working towards another grant application that will enable Arizona Lions Vision to continue their service to the Navajo Head Start program. Since the first visit from Arizona Lions Vision to the Navajo reservation more than 500 kids have received eye glasses.

Health/Nutrition Coordinator Edwina Kee said, "On behalf of Navajo Head Start we would like to give our gratitude and appreciation to Jeanette Russell and her volunteers of Arizona Lions Vision for the many hours of traveling across the Navajo Reservation. They have made a difference for our enrolled Navajo Head Start children."

Navajo Head Start staff and parents participated in the visit from Arizona Lions Vision by having their child/children's eyesight examined. "Some children were very excited," said Kee, "to pick their own frames and couldn't wait to wear them home."

Window Rock, Shiprock, and Tuba City were the three designated sites visited by the Arizona Lions Vision group. Several Navajo Head Start centers visited the site closest to their center.

"It is great to collaborate with outside programs," said Department Manager, Spencer Willie, "that help to secure Navajo Head Start goals. Our overall purpose is to serve the children. Arizona Lions Vision has helped many young children by providing examinations and if necessary eye glasses that some families aren't able to afford. We're happy to work with any program or organization willing to assist the children and prepare them for a wonderful future."

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Parade of Checks

CC John Hart

Traditions frequently continue long past the memories of those involved until one day when someone finally asks, "Why?" "Why do we do this?" "Is there not a better, more effective way?" "Has this tradition out-lived its time?" The Parade of Checks at the multiple district midyear conference and convention is a long-standing tradition in Arizona Lionism that may have out-lived its time. There are several reasons for this including the need our projects have for cash donations in a timelier basis. Additionally, not all clubs can afford to make one large donation to our projects but most, if not all, can afford to give something to each of them, maybe even on a quarterly or semiannual basis.

With these thoughts in mind, your Council of Governors has decided to forego the Parade of Checks at the 2010 Multiple District Convention. Clubs and individuals are encouraged to make their donations directly to the projects as soon as possible and as often as they can in any amount they can afford.

Hello,

This is Belle, the D21C Brass Bell. At the March Convention in Prescott, I was asked by one of the Sydney Delegates to join them and travel to Australia for the International Convention. This Delegate said that I was looking dull and unpolished and would enjoy some time away. What they said rang true so I slipped away while the Cabinet Treasurer, Ron Black, was ignoring me. For the past few years I have felt him growing further and further apart from me. We used to have long conversations about all kinds of things. Well, Ron did most of the talking and I chimed in occasionally. I remember, not too long ago we would sit together on the couch, watching American Idol while Ron would softly rub my head, shoulder and waist with a soft cloth and generous amounts of Pikal Liquid polishing emulsion. Ah, memories.



Anyway, you can't change the past. Before I travel to Sydney, I'm going to do some sightseeing and have some adventures. I've been in contact with Ron and promised that I will be back for the 21C Kick Off Cabinet Meeting in August. I know that I will miss the Convention in May, but I have assured Ron that a friend of mine will be sent as a replacement for the Sunday Awards Breakfast.

Occasionally, I will be sending Ron pictures of my adventures and if any of you would like to be included in a BCC, just send me your request at: d21cbelle@hotmail.com and I will add you to my favorites.

Belle



Belle travels to "Country Thunder".

Pinnacle Peak Lions Club Helps Salvation Army and Troops

Submitted by George Berger

The Pinnacle Peak Lions Club of Scottsdale recently completed their 3rd session of charity service.

The club sorted and packed food for the homeless and less fortunate in the Phoenix area serving at the Phoenix Rescue Mission, Salvation Army.

We also packed boxes of food and other necessities for our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan under the agency Packages from Home.

All of these can use the assistance of any Lions Club in the valley or in your own locality.



Pictured L/R: Bob Tiffany, Mark Peters, Mark Seidner, Gordy Magoon, Ron Schatt, Robert Betake and George Berger. Seated is Carter Hunt.

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ID Footsteps

Lion Dick Sawyer



March found us visiting a great bunch of Lions in Missouri. They had undergone redistricting two years ago and were still working on making the effort work in their new district. District 26-M3 now has a very rural area added to the urban and suburban. Missouri went from eleven to seven districts and they are complaining about how far they have to drive. I told them to come to Arizona to experience distances in driving. They started on Friday night with a very large hospitality room and then held all of their seminars, business and election the next day, concluding with a banquet on Saturday night. We all need to continue to work on our districts' membership through extension, rebuilding and retention so that we do not have to experience the tragedy of downsizing to two districts.

The weather was great in Missouri, it was not until our return home that we hit a blizzard while trying to get back up on the rim. Four-wheel drive and chains only. Well we wanted to live in the mountains. It was only bad going over the RIM. Once we arrived home, we did not even have to remove any snow, that was good because Fay was too tired to shovel.

Our visit to Illinois 1-L took us to the Route 66 Hotel where pieces of memorabilia decorated all of the hallways. The Illinois Lions have a great Lions Foundation that also has a separately incorporated endowment fund. Great way to keep the endowment funds safe. Fay was on the program to talk about Women in Lionism to an enthusiastic group. While in Illinois we had the chance to visit the tomb of Abraham Lincoln before getting back to the airport for the flight home.

When we went to Washington 19-F we were greeted by a bunch of pirates and made to walk the plank. They were having one of those fun evenings that we so like here in MD21 also. Lions Patti Allen and Mike Gada wanted to say HI to all of the Arizona Lions that they met a year ago when Lion Patti was the speaker at the Melvin Jones Memorial rededication ceremony. The conference fielded a great set of round table discussions which covered "Moving Up in Lions", "Becoming a Great President" and "Becoming a 100% Secretary". These programs helped to review the duties of some of the officers. I also had the opportunity to present a seminar on retention. Yes, they do make us work when we visit these conventions.

At the end of March we were privileged to be able to attend our own 21C Convention and to be the hosts of ID Neil and Donna Spencer from Cocoa Beach, Florida. We hope that you had the chance to meet these two dedicated Lions.

As I sit typing this article, Fay is busy getting things squared away so that we can leave the day after Easter for the International Board Meeting in Hamburg, Germany. April looks to be even busier and more tiring than March.

Recycle Your Old Cell Phones

Please donate your cell phones to Arizona Lions Vision Center. All proceeds go to help children with eye glasses.



Please call Jeannette F. Russell at 602-267-7573 if you have any questions.

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Big Wheel Races...Special Guest at the Luncheon... Dancing with the "Governors on Saturday night with NO Speakers...Memorial Service...Elections for Project Boards...Awards Breakfast...AND Seminars

These are just a few of the things planned for the upcoming MD21 State Convention, Mesa Hilton Hotel, Mesa, AZ, May 21, 22, & 23, 2010.

Your convention committee and the Council of Governors are hard at work putting together an outstanding Multiple District State Convention in May starting Friday with "Big Wheel Races" among the clubs and ending with Awards Breakfasts, the Closing Session and the recognition of our New Council of Governors.

Below is the Sign-up Sheet to enter your club in the first Annual MD21 Big Wheel Races. Pick a member of your club to represent your club, race against the clock (just like the Olympics) to determine the winner from each District and then watch the 3 finalists vie for the Title of MD21's FACEST Big Wheel Racer...and all of this takes place around the POOL.

Saturday's luncheon will feature our "Special Guest" as the speaker, there will be seminars of great interest all afternoon and culminating Saturday Night will be a Party to end all Parties. Get out your fancy dudes, put on your dancing shoes and join the Council of Governors for dinner, dancing to "Sentimental Swing" (an 18 piece big band orchestra) and another first for MD21 - "Dancing with The Gov's" - our version of Dancing with the Stars. We are bringing in three 'world renown' JUDGES...sparing no expense to provide a fair and impartial contest of skills on the dance floor. You won't want to miss this event.

Sunday will begin with the District Awards Breakfasts and end with the closing session where our newest Council of Governors will be presented.

Get your reservations in now for this outstanding event in Multiple District 21.



**Multiple District 21 Convention
Hilton Phoenix East/Mesa
Mesa, Arizona
May 21, 22 & 23, 2010**



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| Saturday International Luncheon | _____ @ | \$ 25.00 | \$ _____ |
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| Sunday Awards Breakfast | _____ @ | \$ 20.00 | \$ _____ |
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| Saturday International Luncheon | _____ @ | \$ 27.00 | \$ _____ |
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We need 20-24 more to get a full club going.

Please contact Lion Sandy Phillips if interested or know of someone that might be.

You may reach her at sandy2quilt@gmail.com or 928-951-0180.

Yours in Lions Service, Sandy Phillips

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**84th Annual Convention
Multiple District 21
Schedule of Events
Mesa Hilton Hotel
May 21-23, 2010**



Friday, May 21, 2010

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| 1:00 pm to 5:30 pm | Registration & Certification Arizona Pin Traders | Kiva Foyer Fiesta Room |
| 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm | MD21 Council of Governors Meeting | Kachina A/B |
| 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm | Opening General Session | Kiva A/B |
| Call to Order | Pledge of Allegiance God Bless America Invocation | Council Chairman John Hart DG Ann Roberts DG Jim Brotherton DG Phil Phillips |
| Introduction of Guests | | Council Chairman John Hart |
| Introduction of Sgt. at Arms | Lion Bob Scully – 21B – Chairman | Council Chairman John Hart |
| Introduction of Tail Twisters | Lion Shawn Dunn – 21B – Chairman | Council Chairman John Hart |
| MD Standing Committee Reports | Rules Resolutions & Procedures Parliamentarian Convention Agenda | Council Chairman John Hart PCC Ron Brown PCC Ron Brown PCC N. Alan Lundgren, Convention Ch. |
| Recess to Reconvene on Saturday | | |
| MD21 Memorial Service | 1st VDGE Chip Kline – 21B | Pueblo A/B/C |
| 5:00 pm to 6:15 pm | 1st VDGE Debbie Vine – 21A 1st VDGE Wes Edmonds – 21C | |
| 7:00 pm – 9:00 PM | BIG WHEEL RACES – No Host Bar | POOL SIDE |

Saturday, May 22, 2010

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| 7:30 am to 2:00 pm | Registration & Certification Arizona Pin Traders | Kiva Foyer Fiesta Room |
| 7:00 am to 8:30 am | PDG Association Breakfast | Kachina A/B |
| 8:45 am to 9:45 am | Opening General Session - Continued | Kiva Ballroom A & B |
| Call to Order – Reconvene | Presentation of Colors Pledge of Allegiance National Anthem Invocation Presentation of Banners Introductions of Guests Welcome | Council Chairman John Hart Boy Scout Troop DGE Art Downs Lion Dr. Beverly Owens DGE Carl Johannesen District Governors Council Chairman John Hart PCC N. Alan Lundgren, Convention Ch. |
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| Recess | | Kiva A |
| 10:00 am to 11:15 am | District 21A Cabinet Meeting District 21B Cabinet Meeting District 21C Cabinet Meeting | Kiva B Kiva C |
| 12:15 pm to 2:15 pm | Lions, Lioness & Leos Luncheon International Director Debra Wasserman | Atrium |
| 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm | Lions Foundation & Camp Tatiyee Land Campaign | Kiva A |
| 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm | Lions History – PDG Rand Twerwillger World Services for the Blind | Kachina A Kachina B |
| 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm | Dancing with the Governors "Dinner – Cocktails – Show – Dancing" | Kiva Ballroom |

Sunday, May 23, 2010

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| 7:30 am to 9:30 am | District 21A Awards Breakfast District 21B Awards Breakfast District 21C Awards Breakfast | Kiva A Kiva B Kiva C |
| 9:30 am to 10:30 am | Voting – District 21A Voting – District 21B Voting – District 21C Closing General Session | Pueblo A Pueblo B Pueblo C Kiva A & B |
| 10:30 am to Noon | Call to Order – Reconvene | Council Chair John Hart |
| MD Awards | | Council of Governors |
| Resolutions | | PCC Ron Brown |
| Multiple District Project Report | Lions Foundation Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation Melvin Jones Memorial Lions Camp Tatiyee Lions Vision Center Leader Dog | Council Chairman John Hart |
| Election Report | MD Projects Board of Directors | Lion Phil Burnett |
| Presentation of 2010-2011 Officers | Vice District Governors Elect District Governor Elects Remarks by DG Elect Remarks by District Governors | |
| Farewell Remarks | | International Director |
| Adjournment | | Council Chairman John Hart |

LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION



Submitted by Donna Rowe-Ruggeri/Executive Director

The 4th Annual WALK 4 SIGHT AZ event did much better than we thought thanks to some very dedicated Directors who helped by doing WALKS; Lions Al Boeck, Santos Alvarez, Priscilla White, Jackie Acorn, Ed Middlesworth, Gina El-Farra and of course we did one here at the Foundation. Funds are still coming in for this event.

Most of us "walked in the dark so they won't have to." However some preferred to "walk in the light so they won't have to." Director Al Boeck was one who preferred the light at the Deer Valley Airport. The rest of us walked in the dark. It was quite a coincidence when Phoenix went dark at 8:00 P.M., on that very day to emphasize support for "go green" and save electricity.

In fact, Director Santos Alvarez loves it so much he gets a group together to WALK each month. Director Nick Koshuta, OD had a SKATE-4-SIGHT scheduled but had to cancel when the roof fell in from the heavy snowfall in Flagstaff.

Here at the Foundation we had several patients lead the WALK that have had their sight restored. They and their families worked hard to raise money to help others in their situation by getting pledges. It was great to see how very grateful they are.

We wish to thank everyone who donated towards the WALK and all those who worked so hard to make it a success again this year. Especially, our major sponsors KATIE CAMPBELL, CLU/STATE FARM INSURANCE, MESA THUNDERBIRD LIONS CLUB and LION WILLIAM J. ELSER, as well as all the participants.



Pictured Left: Director Al Boeck organized the Deer Valley Lions Club WALK.

Pictured Above: Fun at the Deer Valley Lions Club WALK.

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Dear LS&HF Board & Staff:

Thank you for providing a hearing aid for me. It has helped me more than you would ever know.

On January 17, 2008, I had an anesthetic complication where I stopped breathing and was placed on a respirator. When I woke up I noticed I had double vision as well as a lot of other problems with muscle control of arms and legs as well as brain damage.

I have had hearing problems my whole life but I got by real well by lip reading. The double vision took away my ability to read lips – but you people gave it back to me.

I am 50 years old and now on full disability. I used to work as a surgical tech and ophthalmic tech and did corneal transplants at the Lions Eye Bank/St. Luke's Hospital.

You people help so many every day and ask nothing in return. WOW!

Thank You! Thank you SO much!

John

Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial (MJLIM) at Ft. Thomas saw

the beginning of increased visitation by International Directors this Lions year. At the August 2009 meeting of MJLIM Board of Directors they decided that "Worldwide Recognition" of the Museum/Memorial was overdue and took action to increase visitations of International guests coming to Arizona for any district functions.

Our first visitors were ID Lion Doug Lozier and spouse Lion Kathy in November 2009 who were in Arizona for the Mid Year Leadership Forum at Prescott. Second to come was ID Lion Dana Biggs and spouse, PIP Lion Bill Biggs. ID Lion Dana was the guest for "Rededication to Lionism" at MJLIM in January 2010. Third was ID Lion Dan O'Reilly and spouse, Lion Maryanne, who came to Arizona in March 2010 for District 21-B's convention in Tucson.

As with many best made plans, things don't always work out. ID Lion Neil Spencer and spouse, Lion Donna, came to District 21-C's Convention in Prescott in March. They did make the convention, but plane problems prevented them arriving into Phoenix a day ahead in order to visit Ft. Thomas. Sorry folks, that was not under MJLIM control, but we would welcome them for another time.

This month, in May 2010 at the MD 21 Convention in Mesa, ID Lion Debra Wasserman and spouse, Lion Steve, are scheduled to arrive a day early to go to Ft. Thomas. We hope they will not experience plane delays that would prevent them from visiting MJLIM.

As the Lions Year 09-10 nears its end, a reminder to our clubs of MD 21, the MJLIM, a Project of MD21, can only function when you make donations to it. When you send a check to LCIF for a Melvin Jones Fellow, none of that money comes to MJLIM. The Memorial survives by club donations, outside of Arizona donations and/or, grant money for daily needs. Ask any MJLIM Board member to speak to your club about "1000 Vanguard's" and our ongoing efforts to support and expand the Memorial.

Submitted by PDG Lion Forrest Chevront, MJLIM Board Member



Lions Karen Bliss, left, and Karen Steffek are all smiles after being presented with progressive Melvin Jones awards by Melvin Jones Chairman, Bob McCracken of the Sun City Mid-Week Bell Lions Club on April 7. The work that these two put in on the club's behalf is unbelievable and the awards are richly deserved.

District Governor 21A Column

Submitted by DG Ann Roberts, DG May Newsletter

WHAT LEGACY ARE YOU HANDING DOWN?

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A legacy is much more than monetary wealth passed down from one generation to the next. It can be anything that is given from the past to the present. Sometimes the past is now. This will be my last column as District Governor of 21A and time to think about my legacy to you fellow Lions. How will you remember my year?

We started out with a fantastic kick-off in Wickenburg. We shared fun and food. You had your first exercise in goal setting. Who there didn't get tears in their eyes when our physically challenged camper sang the Camp Tatiyee song? And we were graced with a contingent from Mexico. It was a great kick-off to the 2009-10 year. We tried a couple of things that worked very well – such as "Luggage from Lions". What started out as being for foster kids expanded to battered women's shelters and several other organizations. Unfortunately our Speech Contest didn't work so well. Apparently there are already several state-wide speech contests in place.

Our 21A Convention was extraordinary. We conducted Cabinet business in the morning. PIP Kay Fukushima motivated us in the afternoon and we tried to solve the Who Done It at dinner. Sixty-five names were turned in to receive "Bragging Rights" pins! You are proud of your fellow Lions and want them and everyone else to know how special they are. You still have an opportunity to recognize more hard-working people. Get me their names and the reason you think we should brag about them. We will hand out more "Bragging Rights" pins at the Multiple District Convention on Sunday, May 23rd! But don't just come for Sunday. Start Friday night with Big Wheel Races. Learn and be entertained on Saturday.

Let's talk about a legacy that some clubs are overlooking. What does your club do to pass on the traditions and history of your club? We always talk about losing members because we didn't get them involved. That's probably only part of the problem. They don't realize just how unique the club they joined really is. As some of the clubs reach a milestone year (25 or 50 years) in their existence, they prepare a history of their club. Shouldn't every club let their members know about their club's history? Don't just wait for the milestone years. Collect those old pictures and newspaper articles! Come up with a presentation to present to all new members (and refresh the memories of the rest of the club).

Let's not lose PR opportunities. Get pictures at the installation of new officers. Send them into your local papers. Need some help? Call (928.684.7989 home or 602.618.96.53 cell) or email me (LionAnnR@aol.com). PID Dave and I are officially retired so you should be able to catch us a little easier!

OFFICIAL MINUTES DISTRICT 21A CABINET MEETING CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL PHOENIX, ARIZONA MARCH 20, 2010

The meeting was called to order by DG Ann Roberts at 8:45 a.m. District 21A Chaplain Lion Linda Finley gave the invocation. The colors were posted by Boy Scout Troop 205 of the Black Canyon Council. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by IPDG Rand Terwilliger following a presentation of Red Skelton's skit about the Pledge of Allegiance. PCC Ron Brown led us in singing America the Beautiful. The Parade of Banners followed the song with 7 clubs represented.

DG Ann Roberts made introductions and welcomed all to the meeting.

DG Jim Brotherton of District 21B updated those in attendance about things happening in his District. DG Phil Phillips followed with a report about his District, 21C.

2ndVDG/CST Debbie Vine proceeded with the roll call of cabinet members and clubs. There were nine (9) Zone Chairs in addition to the District Governor, 1st VDG, 2nd VDG/CST and IPDG present, thus establishing a quorum. In addition to the Cabinet, there were four (4) Advisors and several committee chairpersons in attendance. There were twenty-six (26) clubs represented by eighteen (18) presidents and eighteen (18) secretaries.

Minutes of the November 8, 2009 Cabinet meeting were published in the Canyon State Lion. A copy was also given to each Cabinet member prior to the meeting. There being no corrections to the minutes, they were accepted as submitted.

The treasurer's report was distributed to Cabinet members prior to the meeting. The treasurer's report was approved to be filed after proper review.

At this time DG Ann closed the Cabinet Meeting and reconvened the General Session. 2ndVDG/CST Debbie Vine presented a mini-seminar on Closing Your Year.

PCC Joan Williamson, Elections Chairman introduced the candidates. Each candidate was nominated and seconded by Lions of their choosing. Second VDG candidate Gary White was nominated by Lion Amber Boyd and seconded by Lion Dick Napolitano. First VDG candidate Debbie Vine was nominated by Lion Rachele Barrett and seconded by Lion Linda Finley. District Governor Candidate Art Downs was nominated by IPDG Rand Terwilliger and seconded by PDG Ralph Williamson.

PCC Joan announced that Elections would be held at 11:00 am and the results would be announced at 4:00 pm.

Tail Twister Rachele Barrett collected \$177.05 for the District coffers.

DG Ann closed the General Session at 10:55am.

DG Ann reconvened the General Session at 2:45pm.

PCC Ron Brown reported on the need for uniform shirt for those attending the International Convention in Sydney, Australia.

First VDG Art Downs gave a presentation on rewarding your club members. He outlined several awards that are available to Club Presidents.

DG Ann presented several of her "Bragging Rights" pins to deserving Lions around the District.

PCC Joan Williamson announced the results of the election. All candidates were duly elected and celebration ensued. Each candidate gave a short acceptance speech.

DG Ann adjourned the meeting at 5:00pm

Respectfully submitted, CST/2ndVDG Debbie Vine, District 21A, 04/2010



DISTRICT 21 A – CABINET MEETING
Kicking-Off the 2010-2011 Year
August 14, 2010
9:00 am to 4 pm
Grace Inn at Ahwatukee
10831 South 51st Street, Phoenix, AZ 85044 (Interstate 10 at Elliot Road)

REGISTRATION
(Required for all events)

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Last Name First Name

2010-2011 Club/District Office Held _____
Home Club _____ District _____

Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____ E-mail _____

Spouse Information:
Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____
Last Name First Name

2010-2011 Club/District Office Held _____
Home Club _____ District _____

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INCLUDES LUNCH and ENTERTAINMENT—CLUB OR CASUAL ATTIRE

Early Registration Number attending _____ x \$25.00 = \$ _____
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Total Attending _____ Total \$ _____

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THE YEAR IS 1940 & RADIO IS KING!
Join the Black Canyon Bicentennial Lions Club for dinner and their radio production of

HELL HOLE ON THE BLUFF!
(A 1940 Arizona Adventures radio series)
Setting: *Yuma Prison in the year 1867*
Action: *Prison Break*
Starring:
PDG Ralph Williamson – Warden Ingalls
PCC Joan Williamson – His wife Molly
Directed by: *Dottie Helgeson*

Location: *Patio at Rock Springs Cafe*
35769 S. Old Black Canyon Hiway, Black Canyon City
Date: *Saturday, May 15th*
Dinner & Show at 5:00 PM: Cost: *\$20 per person*
(Barbeque, cowboy beans, cole slaw, iced teal/coffee)
Radio Show only at 7:00 PM: Cost *\$10 per person*

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DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN...

Do you remember when families sat around the radio on a Saturday night? Did you ever have the opportunity to be in the studio and be part of the radio audience? You and your family have that chance now. Bring the youngsters who never had a chance to see how a radio program used sound effects and audience participation. Have dinner then settle down to be part of the radio audience.

The Black Canyon Bicentennial Lions Club gives you a one night chance to go back in time to 1940. That was the year a new radio series hit the airwaves in Arizona. It was called "Arizona Adventures" and the Black Canyon Bicentennial Lions Club has the original scripts. Join your friends for a great bar-b-que! Then hiss the bad guys and cheer the good guys! You won't remember when you had so much fun!

What is all the quacking about in Anthem?

Below: Numbered ducks floating by in the ponds of Anthem



On April 3rd over 175 brave rubber ducks jumped into the ponds at the Anthem community park for the Lions Club first annual Rubber Duck Derby. The money was raised for service project here in Anthem including a large shade structure for Canyon Springs Elementary School.

"It was a wonderful time and a great day for BBQ and duck racing", expounds Lion President Kerry Freeman. "With a very full and busy park it was a great time to let people see Lions raise money in a different and fun way".

If you never heard of a duck derby here are the ABC's. You start out by selling number tickets to friend and family for \$10.00 each. Every ticket has a matching duck that is also numbered. At the appointed time the ducks are tossed in the moving current and the race begins. The duck that cross the finish line first wins \$500.00 for the person that purchased the correct numbered ticket. We also had First, Second, Third and the last duck out of the pond as prize winners with \$25.00 gift cards.

The winner of the grand prize was Tommie Quint (former Lioness) and grandparent of Bradon and Calista Quint who will be just some of the children that will receive the benefit of the shade structure. Also winning prizes where Ron Kirchner, Arnold Tropt, Dick Tetsell and Domenico Chiarello.

Also watching from the dry land was District Governor Ann Roberts and her every faithful driver Lion David Roberts and Lion Mike Kenny from Prescott. Later DG Ann wrote how pleased she is to see us doing so well for such a young club.

So keep your ears open for next year's derby and start training your duck now. Its going to be fun!

Pictured: Lion President Kerry Freeman presenting Tommie Quint and here two Grandchildren Bradon and Calista with her \$500.00 prize.



District Governor 21B Column

Submitted by DG Jim Brotherton, DG May Newsletter

Can you help?

Some of our clubs are really in trouble. Maybe yours is one of them. But every Lion can help to save his or her own Lions Club - try these steps.

1. Know what your members want.

This year I sent a letter to every new member welcoming them to Lions and District 21-B. With that letter was a survey asking the new Lions a few questions. New Lions also were invited to a special idea-sharing breakfast at the Tucson convention. Out of these efforts came one message loud and clear — our new Lions joined us for two reasons:

- because someone they knew asked them to join
- because they wanted to do some work for the less fortunate and saw an opportunity to do that by volunteering through a Lions club.

We have brought in 179 new members so far this year. Problem is we keep losing members too. Too many of our members each year say "I don't think I'm going to pay my dues."

Researchers tell us 40% of the members who drop leave for one of just three reasons:

- they don't like the cliques in the club
- meetings are boring
- they joined to work but rarely if ever get to do anything for the club.

So what can every Lion do to help us keep our good new members - and our great long time members too?

2. Check your club for cliques

Each of us has special friends among our Lions Club members. Those friendships are an important part of why we like being Lions. But do those friendships look like cliques to a newcomer? Does everyone in the club have their own special place to sit - or do you move around and make new friends? Do you make a point of greeting all the members every meeting? Do you move in an extra chair and make room for the newcomer? Do you invite a newcomer to join in the conversation? Is there room for new ideas - or are the same people always running the club? When you bring in a new member, do you make sure he sometimes gets to sit with someone he doesn't know?

3. Do your part to make meetings fun

First, have a reason to meet. Make it enjoyable and educational. Bring in the state and district projects, bring in the different MERL team members. Make it a learning experience. Suggest a great speaker to the program chair; help your president keep meetings to just one hour; bring a guest and make sure he/she gets introduced to all - make it a party; share a tasteful joke - even if it costs you a Happy Buck to do it; volunteer to look up some interesting Lions fact for sharing at a meeting now and then; volunteer to help with special meetings - a bbq at a local park, a meeting honoring Lifetime members or your Melvin Jones Fellows, or a birthday party for the club might work for your club.

And find those members something meaningful to do.

Brand new members may want to break in slowly, taking a few meetings to get to know the club. That breaking in period is a great time to ask your new member to serve as greeter with you. Maybe new members can help sell raffle tickets. Maybe they can be asked to tell the club something about themselves or asked to report to the club on some item from the Lions International website they find interesting.

Then, as soon as they are ready, put them to work. It is up to every Lion to make sure our members know about club projects and have the chance to lend a hand. If you are running a project, move beyond the same old Lions and offer the fun to new Lions or those who don't turn out as often. Sure it might mean making a phone call or two, but getting more Lions involved in your projects just might save your club from having those dreaded dropped members this year.

If your members decide to drop out, your club could disappear. No more vision help for the poor in your town. No more work at the local school. No help for the hard of hearing. No extra hands gathering food for the food bank, no money going to International to help with rebuilding after major earthquakes, floods and other disasters.

We need your club and your club needs every member. Please do your part to make sure every one of your members feels great about being a Lion.

Once again the **Gold Canyon Lions ROAR**. The Lions have had a successful year under the leadership of President Larry Bartoszek, his very able Board, and all the members of the club. We would like to thank all the people of the community that attend our fund raising charity events. Without your participation, we could not have succeeded.

The Lions have been able to donate contributions of \$16,950.00. These funds were donated to the following: Lions Camp Tatiyee (camping experience for up to 500 handicapped children and young adults) Leaders Dogs, Project Help, Gold Canyon Food Bank, Foundations for Blind Children, LCIF, Scholarship Fund for two students from Apache Junction H. S., Az. Lions Sight & Hearing, CAFFA (temporary housing and care to battered women and families in Az.) eyeglasses and exams, Diabetes Care, Apache Junction Food Bank. We also do vision screenings at local elementary schools, student ID program, collect used eyeglasses, Flay Day ceremonies for first graders in local elementary schools, we do extra Thanksgiving food donations and help with special Christmas needs for families, and we are on call to help with any worthwhile needs in our community.

Our new officers for 2010-2011 are President, Terry Storbakken, Past President Larry Bartoszek, 1st Vice Pres. Debbie Jusko, 2nd Vice Pres. Jim Rutkowski, Treas. Larry Berger, Sec. Royce Brownfield.

We are a friendly exciting service organization. We meet the first and third Thursday of the month. We will be active again Thursday Oct. 7. If you would like to join us, call our membership Chairman, Ken Wells 480-288-4445.

C. KIRBY SMITHE LIONS INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE, PREPARES FOR THE 2010 CAMP YEAR

The mission of the C. Kirby Smithe Youth Camp is to encourage and sponsor the exchange of youth between countries of the world and to foster the feeling of good will and understanding between the youth of the world, in accord with the purposes and objectives of the International Association of Lions Clubs.

Since 1961, Lions Clubs International's Youth Exchange Program has given tens of thousands of young people representing some 80 nationalities an opportunity to gain a greater understanding of their roles as world citizens. The youth exchange in Arizona's Lions District 21B was started in 1981 and named in honor of Lion C. Kirby Smithe, who distinguished himself as a Lion, businessman, father, husband and humanitarian.

Each year we host up to eight students from different countries around the world, alternating between young men and young women between the ages of 17 and 21. In 2010, we will be hosting young men. So far we have applicants from Italy, Finland and Denmark. They arrive at Tucson International Airport on July 2nd and will be met by their host families the following day. In addition to a two week experience living with a host family, we provide them a two week tour throughout the beautiful state of Arizona, visiting Lions clubs along the way, enjoying the natural wonders of our state and learning about the diversity and culture of our area. One week is spent visiting clubs and touring attractions in the northern part of the state, including the Grand Canyon and the second week is spent in the southern part of Arizona, including Tombstone and Nogales. The visit ends with a farewell picnic hosted this year by the Catalina Oro Valley Lions Club on July 31 at 6 PM. Campers, host families, board members and supporting Lions are invited to attend. RSVPs should be made to members of the CKS Board no later than July 10 to ensure sufficient food for the party. The campers will return to their home countries on August 1st.

We are extremely grateful to all the clubs throughout the state who open their homes and their hearts to our young visitors. We also appreciate the financial support that clubs provide to this project. Without your support, we would not be able to provide the experience that we do to these young men and women.

This year we are also sending two students from Arizona to visit youth camps overseas. One will be visiting Italy and the other one Denmark. We are actively attempting to establish cooperative relationships with youth exchange coordinators in other countries to provide ongoing exchanges of students. Our youth are our future. We can all benefit from learning more about one another.

If you have not already done so, we invite you to consider adding us to your budget for the coming year. Donations can be made out to C. Kirby Smithe Youth Exchange and mailed to 9102 E. Crystal Dr. Sun Lakes, AZ 85248. If you would like to know more about our program, the members of the board are ready and willing to come to your Lions Club meeting and share some of our experiences from past trips. Our names and addresses are listed in the current directory.



21-B FALL CABINET MEETING
Saturday, August 21, 2010
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
ELOY LIONS CLUB HOUSE
109 E. 5TH Street, Eloy, Arizona



USE ONE FORM FOR EACH LION. PLEASE PRINT

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FLY THE FLAG PROJECT

By Jerry Hamstad

The Fly the Flag Project is off and flying. The Mesa F.O.S. Lions Club started the flag program last July 4th. We put up twelve flags at the Broadway entrance, and on Presidents Day we added another twelve flags to the entry way.

Residents of F.O.S. have been purchasing flags for \$30 each. Flags are put up six days out of the year - Presidents Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day (June 14th), July 4th, Labor Day thru Patriots Day (9-11), and Veterans Day. Last Labor Day we put up 125 flags and on Presidents Day we put up 185 flags. We have now sold 200 flags and our goal is to have 400 flags flying in F.O.S. by next Presidents Day.

Every time we sell 100 flags we will put another 12 flags at the Broadway entrance. Proceeds from the flag project will be used in F.O.S. to make our community a better place for all residents.

Flags are sold at every Activity Center event at the Lions table. The next Flag Day is Memorial Day. We urge you to drive around the community and notice the impact of the many flags that will be up and flying. Be sure to drive down 79th Way. There is a flag at every house on both sides of the street. Impressive!!!!

You too, can be a part of the project. Whether you are here or not during the summer months we will put them up for the three flag days, then remove and store them.

The Lions Club thanks all the residents that have donated to the Fly the Flag Project. If you are interested in participating talk to a Lion or call Jerry Hamstad, 984-4968.

Pictured L/R: Richard Formanick and Lion Merv Steen.



Green Valley La Canoa Lions Sponsor Low Vision Seminar

On Friday, March 19, approximately 50 Green Valley citizens and Lions met for a three hour seminar entitled, "Life as a VIP (Visually Impaired Person)". The program was planned and moderated by semi-retired Low Vision Specialist, Lion Sondra Williams. Participants in the program were Dr. Brent Hartzel, OD of Barnet Dulaney Perkins Eye Center, Club President Lion Amy Edwards, Lion Darlene Green, Lion Angie Lanoe, Lion Sondra and the audience. Along with statistics, facts, medical and vision research information, encouragement and recommendations, there was a discussion and display of various styles and powers of magnifying devices and non-optical aids, with a hands-on opportunity during the break. The event appeared a success! This was the second annual La Canoa Lions Low Vision Seminar.

District Governor 21C Column

Submitted by **DG Phil Phillips, DG May Newsletter**

The Lions year is winding down and soon there will be a new slate of District Officers taking the reins. The elections held at Prescott produced no surprise and next year's officers will be; District Governor Mike Kenny from the Prescott Valley Early Birds, Wes Edmonds as 1st Vice District Governor from the Prescott Valley Sunrise Club and Carolyn White as 2nd Vice District Governor currently from the Pinetop Club, but who will be relocating soon to a club in the Valley due to health reasons. I am sure those of you who made the Cabinet Meetings and Conventions this year will remember her as the current Cabinet Secretary, who I might add has done an outstanding job in that position. I am sure will she continue to do the same in her new position.

Speaking of Lion Carolyn, I am very pleased that Ted is out of the hospital and recovering at home and looking a lot like his old self. Continue to get better and with Carolyn's help I know you will.

As the situation stands at this time this will be the last column I will write for the Canyon State Lion as June and July's issue is being combined and will be published in July. So the next column will be the responsibility of DGE Mike Kenny.

I hope all of you have read the last issue of the Canyon State Lion, especially the information on the MD Convention in Mesa on May 21, 22, 23. Friday evening will be the Council of Governor's meeting as well as the Hot Wheel Races around the pool. If your club has not signed up a rider check the next issue of the Canyon State Lion for an entry form and sign up. It promises to be a fun event as the riders will be racing against the clock and not against each other just as the Olympics. Lion Marc Paquette, President of the Scottsdale Lions, is in charge and as an attorney I know he will be fair and just.

Saturday will be all the sessions and the list will be forth coming so look them over and make as many as you can as there will be some good presenters knowing CC John Hart. There will be tables for various projects and in addition we will welcome back a representative from The Lions World Service for the Blind from Little Rock, Ark. This is a facility that provides training for those unable to see and prepares them for a productive position in the world today. Perhaps a couple of examples would be in order here: they train vision impaired persons for a position with the IRS, they train persons in small engine repair. I watched a vision impaired person take apart and put back together a small engine when I visited their facility a couple years ago. I would have problems doing that even though I can see.

It was with great pleasure that ID Neil Spencer, our International Representative and I, were able to present International President's Certificates of Appreciation to the following Lions at our convention in Prescott: Lion Teri Reyes, Lion Sandy Phillips, and 2nd Vice District Governor Wes Edmonds. I continue to hold one more that will be presented at our Cabinet Meeting on Sunday morning at the MD Convention.

There still seems to be some confusion about the eyeglass boxes in the Wal-Mart Vision Centers and the collection of the glasses. If your club has been picking up glasses prior to the distribution of the boxes by Wal-Mart contact the manager of the Vision Center and see if your club can continue to do so. The few clubs I have talked with about this issue have had no problems in continuing to pick up the glasses. But be sure you talk to the Vision Center Manager not the Store Manager.

I would remind all clubs that your PU-101 form, listing you incoming President, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership chair are due. Not only to International but also to DGE Mike Kenny who is putting together the District 21C part of MD Directory. If you have gotten yours in already thank you, if not please do so as soon as possible. This applies even if your club is carrying over the same officers as last year.

I would like to remind all the club officers listed about to watch your e-mail closely from the middle of July for your Password number as they will need this number, along with their membership number, to get into portions of International's web site. This is especially important for the club secretary for without those numbers they will NOT be able to submit the club's monthly report.

For those clubs without an e-mail address I would suggest very strongly that they get one or find a way for the officers to use a computer as sooner or later I would strongly suspect that the days of filing paper reports are going to be no more. At the present time I am happy to say that there are only two clubs in 21C that still file paper reports.

Officers Training locations and dates are listed on the back page of the Canyon State Lion PLEASE check the date and location that will fit your schedule and make every effort, at least for your incoming officers to attend.. Even if you are not an incoming officer, but think at some time you might be, strongly consider attending. I will be at the Training in Peoria and hope to see a very good turn out from the clubs for which that location is best.

As for this past year, even though my original goals were not met, I have enjoyed serving you as your District Governor. I wish all of you a very good year coming up and hope to see a growth in membership as well as a few new clubs.

HISTORY OF PINETOP LIONS CLUB

The Pinetop Lions Club was officially chartered May 24, 1960. The Charter Dinner was held June 2, 1960, at Charlie Clark's Steakhouse, with Dr. R. V. Campbell leading the ceremony as the club's first president. Many dignitaries welcomed 30 charter members into Lionism. Some highlights of the club's history follow:

* 1961 - Early fund-raising activities begin with state-wide and annual golf tournaments at the White Mountain Country Club. Proceeds are used to benefit local charities, individuals in need, eyeglasses for children, and Camp Tatiyee.

* 1962 - Members prepare for and assist with the Grand Opening of Camp Tatiyee on August 4th. It's the "crown jewel" for Arizona Lions, dedicated to providing excellent camping experiences for physically challenged children and adults. It's located right in the club's "backyard" on Rt. 260 entering Pinetop.

* 1964 - Pinetop Lions begin their program to provide street lighting for the Pinetop community. Working with Navopache Electric Co-Op, the members purchased and assumed responsibility for maintenance and replacement of 33 Mercury Vapor lights, as well as paying for much of the electricity usage.

* 1967 - In August, the club purchases its very own building (an old school building from McNary) and has it moved next to Wilburs Market in Pinetop (now home of Action Plumbing). It will be used for club meetings and social events, but more so for Bingo nights for the community, as the club's main fund raiser. The Lions also use it to host political forums for local candidates, for pancake breakfasts, and as gathering places for other charitable organizations.

* 1968 - The club begins to sponsor a "Little Missy White Mountains" contest, where adorable 5 year-old girls from all over the White Mountain area compete for the "beauty" prize. All received gifts, but the winner received cash and went on to compete in a Little Missy Arizona pageant.

* 1970 - The club celebrates its 10th anniversary at Paint Pony Lodge in Show Low, with Bob Rose as president.

* 1971 - 75 - The Lions become active in granting scholarships to high school graduates, and presenting Flags to First Graders, a patriotic program.

* 1976 - The Pinetop Lions Club sponsors a 2-night August concert by Up With People, a popular and patriotic choral group of 110 young men and women. The group which, has toured internationally, performs at BRHS auditorium.

* 1977 - With the help of antique dealer Helen Morey the club holds its first Antique Show and Sale. The popular event becomes an annual tradition and major attraction of the community's Fall Festival celebration. Lloyd McGovern was chairman of the Antique Sale for many years. In 2006 this club's major fund raiser is expanded to a second show during the July 4th holidays.

* 1977 - On December 11 the club launched its first annual Children's Christmas Party at the Roundhouse Restaurant. Over 200 youngsters from McNary, Show Low, Pinetop and Lakeside were treated to a dinner, gifts, carols, entertainment and Santa, of course.

* 1980 - The club starts a major newspaper recycling program as a community service and source for fund raising. Boy Scouts and other youth groups assist in the paper drives and earn funds for their groups. Citizens partake by bagging and taking papers to several bins located throughout the community. This program, like the Antique Show, continues to the present day.

* 1981 - Many Pinetop Lions join 23,000 other ones from all over the world at the 64th International Lions convention in Phoenix. The gala event was held in early June.

* 1982 - The Pinetop Lioness Club for women is chartered February 12 at the Roundhouse Restaurant, and will work closely with the Lions. Rosemary Matz serves as the lady's first president. (Men's and women's clubs will remain separate until 1992, when Lions International opens regular membership to women, but many Lioness clubs still exist today.)

* 1982 - Pinetop Lions Club initiates a Christmas Basket drive to feed needy families. With the help of other clubs in 1986 they distributed baskets (each about 70 pounds) to 72 different families. The Rotary club later took over this program.

* 1984 - The club involves itself in providing eyeglasses for needy school children, working in cooperation with Optometrist Dr. Lynn Gabe. The Lions also provide collection facilities in the community for used eye glasses. These are forwarded to the Lions Sight and hearing Foundation.

* 1985 - Pinetop Lions celebrate their 25th anniversary May 11th at Pinetop Lakes Golf and Country Club.

* 1986 - The Lions purchase the lot adjoining their clubhouse as a financial venture.

* 1987 - A diabetes screening program is begun by the club. The service is provided for the community at several business facilities and the Lions clubhouse. Volunteer RNs assist with the project. Pinetop Lions also provide generous help with the 1987 County Special Olympics in Show Low, aided by numerous businesses and organizations.

* 1990 - The club's building and additional lot are finally paid for. A "mortgage burning party" is held February 27 at the Roundhouse.

* 1992 - Lions International opens membership to all women.

* 1993 - The club helps to organize the Pinetop-Lakeside Leo Club, an offshoot organization of high school students likewise interested in community service and charity. The new club is chartered June 1st with 23 young persons, led by teacher Judy Peterson as adult advisor and Feliz Otero as president.

* 1999 - Rachel Smith, of the Pinetop-Lakeside Leo Club, receives an International award as Leo of the Year. The honor was bestowed on December 28th at a Multiple District convention in Prescott. Only 14 Leos world-wide were so recognized by International.

* 2000 - The 40th anniversary of our charter is celebrated May 24th at the Chalet restaurant. President Chuck Bittorf introduces guests and presents a short history of the club.

* 2001 - Under leadership of PDG Ron Rosinke and wife, Lion Carol, the club initiates a Pinetop Lions Community Calendar. It serves as a fund raiser as well as a community bulletin board. Pictures of organizations and employees, dates of events and advertisements adorn the for-sale calendars.

* 2005 - The Pinetop Lions try their hand at hosting a Yard Sale in the parking lot of BRHS. Lion Al Chavez leads the project which produces some tremendous buys for many shoppers. The fund raiser continues through 2009.

* 2006 - The Club provides food and gas and support for 12-year-old Thomas Lane and his mother, Teresa. They come to Pinetop out of necessity for Tom to get a prosthetic ear. The operation will be donated by David Trainer, owner of Factor II Inc. and is backed by the Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation in Phoenix.

* 2007 - The Pinetop Lions add an additional Antique Show and Sale to happen over the Forth of July celebrations. They also extend scholarships to include nursing students at NPC.

* 2009 - On May 19th the club honors life-member Bob Case, age 93, at a dinner meeting held at Kringles restaurant. Lions Chuck Bittorf and Everett Peterson are the main speakers after President Ted White gives Bob a plaque recognizing his outstanding contributions. Bob joined the club in 1987, was club treasurer 15 years, and its first Melvin Jones award recipient, Lionism's highest honor.

The club's history also includes 2 Guiding Lion Awards, 1 New Club Sponsor emblem, 1 Lioness Club Sponsor, and 1 Head Start Club 82-83 emblem. The Pinetop Lions were instrumental in the founding of the Show Low Lions and the Concho club.

The Pinetop Lions Club is still very active in most of the activities mentioned above, sincerely dedicated to community and service. The club is extremely proud to celebrate its 50th Anniversary this May 18th at the Hon Dah Conference Center.

Submitted by Lion Chuck Andrews

The Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club is turning 50 and we still have a Charter Member! We invite our friends to help us make merry at our 50th Anniversary and Installation Celebration on the evening of May 26th at The Golden Phoenix Restaurant, 6048 N 16th St, Phoenix, 85016. We will meet in the private room at 6 pm for socializing with the official start at 6:30 pm. Dress is smart casual.

We are excited to announce that our International Guest is ID Richard Sawyer, Installing Officer is PID Joseph Preston and our Master of Ceremony is PDG Robert Strodel.

Ticket purchase is required by May 19th. An official invitation, including price and menu can be obtained either by calling Lion Hans at 602-553-8332, E-mailing at:

LionHans@PhoenixLionsClub.us or visiting The Phoenix Valley of the Sun's web site at: www.PhoenixLionsClub.us, selecting the NEWS tab and clicking on the link in the calendar. We all look forward to Celebrating with you.

Lion Joseph

Roar Lions Roar!!!!

There is good news in the Pride.



On Sunday, March 28th at the 21-C Cabinet meeting we had an audience full of Proud Lions and Proud Sponsors and Lions working on becoming Proud Lions and Proud Sponsors. It was great to see such a large show of hands.

Have sold Pins to both the Prescott Sunrise Lions and Prescott Noon Lions Clubs.

Keep up the good work Lions.

Have volunteered to be the 21-C's Proud Lion/Proud Sponsor Chair next year.

Have a great time at the MD Convention and watch for more news in the July CSL.

Lion Sandy Phillips, Proud Lion/Proud Sponsor Chair

Lions Pancake Breakfast Attention Fellow Lions

When you need to get away from heat and traffic head to Payson to cool down and have a great breakfast.

The Payson Lions Charitable Foundation will host a Pancake Breakfast on May 1, 2010 from 8 Am to 11 AM at Crossroads Church 114 E Cedar Lane. Proceeds from the Pancake Breakfast will go to the Payson Lions Charitable Foundation to continue providing eye exams, glasses and hearing aides to the residents of Payson.

Payson Lions will host a Pancake Breakfast the 1st Saturday of the month through September. Please join us each month and help those in need with vision and hearing losses to see and hear again. The Lions Club offers a special thanks to Crossroads Church for their facility for this event.

Adult tickets are \$5 and \$3 for children.



HAPPY EASTER FROM SHOW LOW LIONS

The Show Low Lions wanted to do something this Easter to help out several families in the area; with the help of Wal-Mart who donated \$100 to our cause we were able to put together 5 Easter Baskets for some very needy families. The baskets included a ham and all the fixings for a complete Easter dinner. This is just one of the many ways we help our community. We thank Alayna and Wal-Mart for all the help; they're always there for us when we need them. Pictured below: Lion Joe McCain, Alayna Neff from WalMart and Lion Barbara Russell.



21- C Forming New Club Meets 4 times a year.

Are you a spouse or a friend of a Lion that would like to be a Lion, but don't want to go to weekly or monthly meetings.

Well now you have an opportunity to do that.

This new club would only meet during the Mid-Year Convention, the MD Convention and two Cabinet meetings.

We are just getting this club off the ground, but would love to have enough members to Charter the club before the end of this Lion year.

We have one Member already.

We need 20-24 more to get a full club going.

Please contact Lion Sandy Phillips if interested or know of someone that might be.

You may reach her at sandy2quilt@gmail.com or 928-951-0180.

Yours in Lions Service, Sandy Phillips

Calendar of Events

2010

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| May 1 | Payson Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 a – 11 a at Crossroads Church |
| May 15 | Black Canyon Bicentennial Lions Club, Zone Social, Radio Show and Dinner |
| May 18 | Pinetop Lions Club Celebrates their 50 th Anniversary, HonDah Resort and Casino |
| May 21 | 4 th Council Meeting |
| May 21 - 23 | MD Convention, Mesa Hilton |
| May 26 | Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club 50 th Anniversary Celebration, Golden Phoenix Restaurant |
| Jun 4 | 4 th Annual Lion Harry Moore Memorial Golf Tournament, Gainey Ranch Golf Club, 6 a.m. |
| Jun 12 | Overgaard Ponderosa Golf Tournament |
| Jun 20 | Lions Camp Tatiyee, Open House |
| Jun 28 – Jul 2 | Lions International Convention |
| Jul 3 – 4 | Pinetop Lions, "Summer in the Pines Antiques Show and Sale" |
| Aug 7 | San Manuel Galiuro Mountains Lions, BBQ Lover Contest |
| Aug 7 | 21-C Kick Off/Council Meeting |
| Aug 14 | 21-A Kick Off |
| Aug 21 | 21-B Kick Off |
| Oct 23 | Sun Lakes 5 th Annual Spaghetti Dinner |
| Sep 23 – 25 | USA/Canada Forum |
| Sep 25 – 26 | Pinetop Lions, 32 nd Annual "Fall Festival in the Pines" Antique Show and Sale, Blue Ridge School |
| Nov 5 – 7 | MD-21 Mid-Year/Council Meeting |
| Nov 13 | Sun City Host Lions Club, 50 th Anniversary Dinner, Palm Brook Country Club |

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| Payson | |
| Black Canyon City | Marilyn 623-764-2298 or 623 374-5424 Carolyn White 928-368-6511 |
| Mesa | |
| Mesa | PCC N. Alan Lundgren 602-271-0206 |
| Phoenix | Hans Groot 602-553-8332 secretary@PhoenixLionsClub.us |
| Scottsdale | Mike Frank 480-202-7890 |
| Overgaard | ID Dick Sawyer 928-535-5563 |

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Pinetop/Lakeside

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| TBA | VDG Mike Kenny |
| Phoenix | PCC Joan Williamson |
| TBA | VDG Carl Johannesen |
| Sun Lakes | Liona Pollard 480-883-0527 |
| Milwaukee, WI | |
| Pinetop/Lakeside | |
| Prescott | PCC Joan Williamson |
| Sun City | Paul Yopps 623-972-7862 |

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| Jan 15 | Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial Rededication Day |
| Jan 21 – 23 | London Bridge Lions Club, Havasu Island Balloon Festival & Fair |
| Jan 29 | Sun Lakes 7 th Annual Casino Night |
| Feb 18 – 19 | 21-A District Convention, Council Meeting |
| Mar 11 – 13 | 21-C District Convention |
| Apr 1 – 3 | 21-B District Convention |
| May 20 – 22 | MD-21 State Convention/Council Meeting, Mesa Hilton |

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| Ft. Thomas | Sally Hanson 480-802-0151 |
| Lake Havasu City | Constant Stoepler 928-505-5240 |
| Sun Lakes | Mac Davey 602-449-1268 |
| Laughlin | Lion Linda Finley |
| TBA | VDG Mike Kenny |
| TBA | VDG Carl Johannesen |
| Mesa | TBA |

The Phoenix Midtown Lions Club is proud to announce the induction of Rev. Fr. James T. (Jim) Paris as our club's newest member. He was sponsored by Lions Chad Johnson and Dave Bender.

Lion Jim, a member of a family containing a number of priests including his father, dean of Ascension Cathedral in Oakland, Calif., a brother, an uncle and a godfather, was a banker and financial analyst for eight years before realizing his true calling as a priest.

He has been aware of Lions Clubs International since he was a young child. The Lions sponsored a Little League team in his home state of Georgia. He has chosen to become a Lion in order to take part in the community service and fellowship offered by Lionism.

Lion Jim is the dean of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Phoenix, a rapidly growing parish of over 1,000 households. It is his hope to spend the next 25-30 years there as a pastor. He is married to Elini and is the father of Vasiliki (7) and Sophia (5).

Pictured L/R: Lion Jim Paris, PDG Ralph Williamson, Lion Dave Bender and Lion Gerry Horton, Club President.



Two weeks ago the Wickenburg Lions Club sponsored the Arizona Lions Vision Center Mobile Eye Unit in Agula. Eighty-six individuals had their eyes tested by an Ophthalmologist and fitted for glasses by an Optician. As a result of the testing twenty-six individuals will receive new glasses. There is no charge to the individuals receiving these glasses. Some of the funds received from the Lions recycled newspapers go to projects such as this. The Wickenburg Lions Club is part of Lions Clubs International, the largest service organization in the world with approximately 1.3 million members.

Pictured are Rogelia Robles of the Wickenburg CAP Center and Ann Roberts, representing the Wickenburg Lions Club.



Apache Junction Lions



Howard Fenske of Apache Junction and Livingston, Texas, left, was installed as President of the Apache Junction Lions Club by Bob Hammond, a Lions Past District Governor, of Apache Junction and Dryden, Ontario, Canada. Installation was part of an appreciation dinner March 26, at Roadhaven RV Resort for the visiting Lions who, as associate members during the winter season, joined the club in its many projects.



Apache Junction Lions Club picked Bill Bjorklund (OK) of Mesa and Isle, Minn., as its winter visitor Lion of the Year. He received the award, and the President's Appreciation Award, March 26, at Roadhaven RV Resort in Apache Junction for heading the club's Christmas bell ringing project for the Salvation Army and its white cane collections project, for making two large white canes out of PVC pipe to aid in future collections and for working on all projects, according to club president Joy Sojourner, center. Jeannette Bonucci, who was installed as vice president after serving 10 years as secretary, is at left.

AJO LIONS GIVE SIGHT...SERVE YOUTH:

Two examples

Ajo Lions worked tirelessly from November until May each year to live out the Lions International mandate to be leaders in community and humanitarian service. Each year between 130 and 140 Ajo residents have their eyes examined for a nominal cost when the Eye Mobile visits Ajo. Ajo Lions are there offering assistance. This year approximately 20 individuals received new glasses paid for by the hard work of the Ajo Lions. Finally, Ajo Lions collected 115 pairs of new reading glasses, 152 pair of used glasses, and 56 pair of lenses for Lions Sight and Hearing.

Over a quarter of the funds raised each year by Ajo Lions goes to Education. They sponsor two scholarships annually for needy high school seniors wishing to attend a four year or community college. They also support the ALERT program: a group of 25 community volunteers who provide one-to-one reading coaching for elementary school children. The Cat in the Hat (who looks suspiciously like Ajo Lion Secretary Sander Johnson) is an ALERT coach. The Cat spent three days in March reading Dr. Seuss books to children in kindergarten through fifth grade as part of "Read Across America" celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday.

Nap well over the summer, Ajo Lions, you deserve it.

Pictured: Ajo Lion Secretary, Sander Johnson, portraying the Cat in the Hat on his way to read to elementary school children.



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