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P.C.C. DAVE LAMBERT REMEMBERED

Friends and relatives of Past Council Chairman Dave Lambert gathered on Saturday, September 12th to memorialize and eulogize his life.

David passed from this life while on vacation in California on August 25th.

He leaves his beloved wife, Carla, three daughters, Linda Elaine Ellis, Kathryne Kennedy, Carla Elizabeth Wolf, nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

His daughter, Mitzi Diane Thompson, passed away in 2002.

David was born in Detroit, Michigan February 20th, 1932. He attended Romulus High School and Dearborn College in Dearborn and finished his formal education at Arizona State University, earning a degree in accounting.

David and Carla were married in 1951 and David entered the Air Force the same year. He retired from the United States Air Force in 1971 as a Chief Master Sergeant, one of the youngest persons to attain this rank.

During his military career he received the Bronze Star and the Soldiers Medal for Bravery.

He worked in Governor Bruce Babbitt's Office, the Civic Plaza and the Foundation for Senior Adult Living before going into private practice as a tax consultant. He opened his own company—Canyon Accounting—operating it with two offices.

David will be remembered most for his activities and love of Lions. He was a member of Lions Clubs International for fifty-two years.

Dave joined the Phoenix Metro Lions Club on his arrival in Phoenix and over the years, served in every club office.

In 1979-80, David served District 21-A as the first ever Lieutenant Governor and in 1980-81 as both District Governor for 21-A and Chairman of the Council of Governors for Multiple District 21. He was awarded the coveted 100% District Governor's Award.

During his many years of Lionistic service, he was awarded the Melvin Jones Fellowship with multiple progressive diamonds of recognition.

David served Multiple District 21 as chairman of every standing committee. He worked tirelessly in producing Cabinet Meetings, Conventions and Mid-year Conferences. He taught leadership sessions at every level of Lion's leadership rolls.

He was a devout Republican and was honored as an Outstanding Republican in 2003—and received an award for Outstanding Humanitarian Work from President Obama.

He was known throughout the District as a "car buff". He drove a classic '63-'64 Falcon which he maintained personally—and most recently a P.T. Cruiser. He was very proud of his vehicles.

Dave will be missed by all of us!!!!



Remembering PDG Don Knutson

PDG Donald Dwight Knutson passed away on Saturday, August 22nd. He is survived by his wife Sharon, brother Knute, sons Scott and David, daughter-in-law Susan, and grandchildren Jacob Hoy and Brittany Knutson. Born in 1931 in Lacrosse, Wisconsin, Don graduated from Lacrosse Central High School in 1939. While in high school, he joined the local National Guard as a reservist. Upon receiving his diploma, he then attended the American Institute of the Air (now Brown College) in Minnesota, where he graduated with a degree in broadcasting.

Don began his career in Lacrosse at WLCX, where he also enlisted in the National Guard, 32nd Division. The station was unexpectedly sold, so Don then accepted a position in Liberal, Kansas at KSCB, where he was not only the on-air announcer, but also program director. And if that wasn't enough, he also volunteered as a Deputy Sheriff. It was while he was on a coffee break from the radio station when he met his wife, a waitress at a local luncheonette. When Sharon's parents were not sure about Don's proposal to their daughter, the two eloped and were married in Illinois. Don found work in Michigan after the marriage at WKZO radio station, and the two started a family in Kalamazoo. When allergies were too much for Sharon, they moved their family to Arizona, where Don had found a job at KBUZ in Mesa.

It is in Mesa where the family finally settled for good. Don moved from radio to advertising and advertising specialties in the 1970's, and also became heavily involved in both the Buckhorn Elks Club and the Mesa Thunderbird Lions Club which he joined in 1963, just 6 months after it was chartered. It was with these two organizations that his love of service to others thrived. He was presented with Lifetime awards from both clubs, and he served as District Governor in then District 21B in 1978-1979, and as Exalted Ruler in the Elks. PDG Don was the original editor of the Canyon State Lion as well as the Thunderbird Word. PDG Don earned many district and multiple district awards, the highest being a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

While always busy with one club or the other, Don always found time for his hobbies, which included photography, playing the harmonica, and wood burning. In 1975, Don retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Civil Air Patrol, and began to spend more time on another love of his, public speaking. His involvement in both the Elks and Lions allowed for many opportunities to hone his craft. He became a sought-after speaker for clubs and organizations in Arizona.



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LFA chose FunDAZ because they use the latest in technology and is the easiest program available today. They charge no up front fees and have no minimums making for a great cash flow opportunity for your club. Most of all, their program has VALUE. Parents, supporters and your members will love what they are getting for their money and can recoup their donation 100 times over.

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We will be introducing the card at the upcoming Mid-Year Conference, so stop by LFA's table to meet representatives from FunDAZ who will be working with LFA to get your club started. If you have more questions, contact Lion Alan Lundgren at LionsAZcard@aol.com.

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www.LionsAZcard.org

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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.

Multiple District 21
 Mid-Year Leadership Conference
 November 7 - 8, 2009 @ Prescott Resort, Prescott, AZ

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LIONS & CAMP TATIYEE BENEFIT FROM AZ TAX CREDIT PLAN

Bob Roth, Treasurer, Camp Tatiyee

During tax year 2008 Arizona Lions and other friends of Camp Tatiyee contributed about \$40,000 for camp operations using tax credits available under the Qualifying Charitable Organization program offered by the State of Arizona. The program allows contributors to claim an income tax credit for cash contributions to the camp of up to \$200 for those filing individual returns and up to \$400 for those filing joint returns if the tax-payer itemizes deductions. The camp benefited from the contributions and the contributors benefited by supporting the camp, offsetting their contribution with a dollar for dollar reduction of their tax payment to the state. Contributions from all other sources were about the same as in prior years and the donations under this program were a welcome addition.

First, all affiliated with the Camp want to thank all who generously supported our program, allowing us to have our 51st successful year of serving the needs of the physically and mentally challenged and providing respite for their caregivers.

A second purpose is to ask that as you plan for tax year 2009 you take advantage of the tax credit program and contribute to Camp Tatiyee, as you are able.

Finally, we are not permitted to use the Lion's mailing list this year so we will not mail the necessary forms to all Lions as we did previously. However, we will furnish them to every Lions Club in the state shortly. Forms for the 2009 tax year may also be obtained by:

- Asking for forms from your club president/secretary...
- Downloading forms from the Camp Tatiyee Web Page. The web address is: www.Arizonalionscamp.org/
- Requesting forms by e-mail at ArizonaLionsCamp@cox.net or azwingr@aol.com
- Calling 480-380-4254 and leaving your name and complete mailing address

You may have heard Governor Brewer signed new legislation regarding this program. There are no significant changes that will affect contributors to Camp Tatiyee with the exception of one – and that is a very positive change. There is no longer any baseline amount, 1996 or otherwise. If the taxpayer donates money to the qualified charity and itemizes their deductions, they are eligible to take the credit.

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**13th Multiple District 21
Lions, Lioness & Leos Leadership Forum
& Mid Year Conference
November 6, 7, 8, 2009
Prescott Resort, Prescott, Arizona
Schedule of Events**



Friday, Nov 6th			
Noon to 6:00 p	Conference/Forum Registration		Convention Foyer
Noon to 6:00 p	Pin Trading Bradshaw		
1:00 p	Opening Call to Order – CC John Hart		Verde A & B
1:45 p – 2:30 p	Session I Promote and Grow Presenter: Lion Karen Sell		Verde A
1:45 p – 2:30 p	Session 1A How to Retain your members Presenter: PDG Bill Menard		Verde B
2:30 p—3:15 p	Session II GMT & The alphabet soup Presenter: PID John Walker		Verde A
3:15 p. – 4:15 p	Session III Where do all the used glasses go Presenter: Ex. Director Donna Rowe		Verde B
3:00 p- 6:00 p	Blackjack Tournament		Bucky's Casino
4:00 p – 8:00 p	Lioness Hospitality Room		2nd Floor – #219
5:00 p- 6:30 p	MD21 Council Meeting		Clarkdale
6:30 p – 8:00 p	Progressive Dinner		2nd Floor
8:00 p – 10:30 p	Hospitality Rooms		2nd Floor
Saturday, Nov 7th			
7:00 a – 8:15 a	PDGA Breakfast w/spouses & ID		Chino/Prescott
7:00 a – 11:30 a	Conference/Forum Registration		Convention Foyer
7:00 a – Noon	Lioness Hospitality Room		2nd Floor - 219
7:00 a - 4:00 p	Pin Trading		Bradshaw
8:30 a – 9:00 a	General Session – Reconvene		Verde/Sedona
9:15 a – 10:15 a	Session IV Diabetes & your Eye Sight Presenter: Dr. Powers		Verde/Sedona
10:30 a - 11:30 a	Session V How LCIF is helping communities Presenters: ID Douglas Lozier PCC Joan Williamson		Sedona Room
10:30 a-11:30 a	Session VI MJM Vision to the Future, PDG Jack Ferguson		Verde A&B
12:00 p – 2:00 p	<u>International Luncheon in Honor</u> of ID Douglas and Lion Mary Lozier		Clarkdale/Cottonwood
2:15 p—3:00 p	Session VII International Missions and Club Twinning Presenter: CC John Hart		Verde A
2:15 p – 3:00 p	Session VIII Think Extension for Growth PID Dave Roberts		Verde B
3:00 p – 4:15 p	Session VII - Your Projects in Review: Lions Foundation of Arizona Lions Camp Tatiyee Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation Melvin Jones International Memorial The Lions Vision Center		Verde A & B
3:00 p – 4:15 p	Session VIII Zone Chairs Review Workshop PDG Ralph Williamson		Arizona
4:30 p – 5:15 p	Session IX Learn about Sydney Lion Hans Groot		Verde A & B
6:00 p – 6:30 p	Happy Hour Comedy Show (Ticket Required)		Ballroom
6:30 p - 9:00 p	Dinner & Party – "Woodstock Revisited"		Ballroom
8:00 p - 9:00 p	Comedy Show (Ticket Required)		Ballroom
9:00 p – 10:30 p	Hospitality Rooms		2nd Floor
SUNDAY Nov. 8th			
7:30 a – 8:45 a	Council Breakfast		Dining Room
9:00 a – 10:30 a	District Cabinet Meetings District 21A District 21B District 21C		Clarkdale Cottonwood Sedona
10:45 a - Noon	Multiple District Closing Session		Clarkdale, Sedona, Cottonwood

**13th Leadership Development Forum & Mid Year Conference
Multiple District 21
Prescott Resort
Prescott, Arizona
November 6, 7, & 8, 2009
REGISTRATION FORM
Please use one form per LION**

NAME: _____ NON-LION SPOUSE: _____
 ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____
 CITY, ST: _____ ZIP: _____
 DISTRICT: (circle ONE) 21A 21B 21C
 CLUB: _____ OFFICE: _____
 First-Time Attendee? (circle ONE) Yes No
 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, Comedy & FUN _____ @ \$ 30.00 \$ _____
TOTAL \$ _____
 Registration Fee **(AFTER Oct 5th, 2009)** _____ @ \$ 25.00 \$ _____
 Friday NIGHT – BLACKJACK TOURNAMENT _____ @ \$ 25.00 \$ _____
 Saturday Int'l Luncheon–Lions & Lioness _____ @ \$ 22.00 \$ _____
 Saturday – Reliving the '60's,
 A Hippy Gathering Dinner, Comedy & FUN _____ @ \$ 35.00 \$ _____
TOTAL \$ _____
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MD-21 Mid-Year, Prescott, November 6 – 8, 2009

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**Progressive Dinner
Mid-Year Conference
Prescott, Arizona
November 6, 2009**

A progressive dinner at a Lion's conference? Yes, why not? The Green Valley La Canoa Lions and the Green Valley Lions will be organizing the event for the upcoming Mid-Year conference and you are invited to participate.

We are looking for clubs in the multiple who would like to provide hors d'oeuvres, simple main dishes and desserts for the Friday night attendees. A variety of foods will be needed to feed the 125-150 Lions that 2nd VDG Carl Johannesen anticipates (No, you will not be expected to feed that many people. We will know this information closer to the date and will contact you.) The event will be free to those who are taking advantage of the epicurean delights provided by their fellow Lions.

If your club would like to be part of this Friday night repast, please fill the entry form and return it to Lion Nancy Keyte by October 23, 2009. If you have any questions, call 520-400-3933. We look forward to sampling your contribution.

Name of Club _____
 Contact Person _____
 Phone number _____ e-mail _____
 Food you are bringing _____

Send entry to:
 Nancy Keyte, 2770 E. Glen Canyon Rd., Green Valley, AZ 85614
 520-400-3933 or e-mail to: parakeytes@cox.net
 Deadline: October 23, 2009

DG JIM BROTHERTON FORGES A STRONG TIE TO THE MELVIN JONES LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL

During the District 21-B Fall Conference and Cabinet Meeting, District Governor Jim Brotherton and his wife, Lion Dottie, members of the Sun Lakes Lions Club, made a rare donation to the Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial located at Ft Thomas, AZ, the birthplace of LCI Founder, Melvin Jones. The donation of limited edition (#24 of 100) framed, photograph on canvas of Ann Sullivan, Helen Keller and Alexander Graham Bell was gratefully accepted by four of the MJLIM Directors, Lions Ron Hanson and Jim Warren of the Safford Lions Club and PDG Forrest Chevront and Lion Sally Hanson of the Sun Lakes Lions Club.



The occasion of the photograph was a ten day session of the American Association to promote the teaching of speech to the deaf in 1894. The photograph was taken in the garden of the Chautauqua Institution. The three personalities all worked to increase communications for the deaf through their work. Ann Sullivan, who was Helen Keller's teacher for many years, Helen Keller, who spent her life pressing for opportunities for others similarly isolated by deafness and blindness, and Alexander Graham Bell, who introduced the concept of teaching the deaf to speak and was able to relieve the isolation imposed on his pupils by their disability.

At the 1925 Lions Convention in Ohio, Helen Keller begged the Lions to become "Knights of the Blind in the crusade against darkness". For the past 24 years the Lions complied and made sight conservation the major focus of their fund raising activities.

The photograph, with embellishments on the frame, will hang in the Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial in Ft. Thomas and all Lions are invited to see it at the Melvin Jones Rededication to be held there on January 9, 2010.



Pictured left to right: Sally Hanson, Forrest Chevront, Jim Warren, Ron Hansen (all MJM board members), Dottie Brotherton, Jim Brotherton and the family pet Wiley.

ID Footsteps

Lion Dick Sawyer

Lion Fay and I just returned from the USA/Canada Forum in Memphis, TN. How many of you had the opportunity to go? It was a great experience. Fantastic seminars and great entertainment. If you never have been to a Forum or even if you have, start looking forward to the next Forum in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in September 2010.

Our first full Board meeting will have been held by the time you read this. But, it is a little hard to sit here at the computer at the beginning of September (article deadline date of September 15th for the October CSL) and write about something in the future. So I'll bring you up-to-date about our New Orleans Board meeting in the November 'ID Footsteps'.

Looking ahead we travel to Regina, Saskatchewan, at the end of this month to visit with the Lions of two districts in District 5. Like many districts through out North America they are experiencing declining membership and have decided to merge their districts. Much like Arizona, they have a lot of distance to travel between clubs and this will create some hardship on the District Governor Team when trying to administrate such a large area and large number of clubs (as of the end of July, there were 43 clubs in each district).

We in Arizona need to do everything in our power to increase our membership in all three of our sub-districts so that we do not come face-to-face with such a situation in the future. District 21A added several clubs last year, but still saw a decline in membership. District 21B has been keeping strong membership

numbers, but saw some decline last year. District 21C started the year with tremendous membership gains but also ended the year with a deficit in growth. What happened?

This year again started with a decline in all three districts, we do have a retention problem. LIONS, what are we going to do? It is not up to the district leadership to fill the ranks in your clubs. That is your job. The district and MD leadership can provide advice and assistance where needed, but WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO? Whenever you lose a Lion from your club, whatever the reason, death, transfer, or just stopped coming, YOU need to find a replacement. You need to find out why Lions are not coming to meetings and dropping out of your club. Do you conduct an exit interview to find out why? If not, maybe this is a good time to start. If you know why Lions are leaving, then maybe you can do something to close the door.

All three areas of MEMBERSHIP need our attention. 1) We need to drive to enroll new quality members in our current clubs while also 2) retaining those members that we already have. Additionally, we need to 3) extend Lionism with new clubs in new areas and new ways to also help build our membership. All areas need YOUR HELP.

Contact your District Governor Team and MERL Team for help. Let's turn the tide on this membership decline. Let's get the members we need to continue with the great service projects that we are currently doing. We do not want to have to cut back in the service that we provide, but that is quite possibly what will happen if our membership continues to decline.

Miracle

By: Lexi

Camp is my favorite place;
The people are fantastic.
They are understanding and really listen.
They are caring and don't judge.
They are empathetic.
At camp I feel at peace with myself.
At camp I feel safe.
I know the counselors are always there to help.

CAMP IS MY MIRACLE



'Tatiyee Prom' and featured Campers Devin and Lexi.

Time's-a-wastin' Buckaroo!

The annual Mid-Year Conference and Leadership Forum is coming up Nov. 6 - 8 in Prescott, and if you haven't registered already, by the time you see this, you will probably have missed the early registration discount. But don't fret. You can still cut out the registration form nearby and get in on the education, food, refreshments and comedy in store for Arizona Lions at the Prescott Resort. (You can always register on-site Friday afternoon or Saturday morning).

If you wonder why you should consider taking the time to join us, take a look at the schedule of events and the First-Timer's Introduction, also nearby. Your MD Leadership Team and the Convention Committee are working diligently to ensure that this Conference is worth your time and effort. As well as a Leadership Forum, the MD-21 Council of Governors will meet and the 3 Districts will have (brief) cabinet meetings.

The Mid-Year Conference and Leadership Forum is one of the two state-wide, Multiple District events held annually, and is vital to the health and success of our individual Districts as well as the Multiple. You and other members of your club are urged to attend for the good of Lionism.

Lion Raymond McKee, Tucson Breakfast Lions Club shows his enthusiasm at the 1st Annual Arizona Lions Day Social at Chase Field. All Lions, families and friends enjoyed a beautiful Sunday afternoon with the D-Backs August 30th. It was an all you could eat affair, hot dogs, chips, popcorn, peanuts and beverage in an air conditioned section while watching the D-Backs win over the Houston Astros. The event was sponsored by your Lions Foundation of Arizona.

1st Annual Arizona Lions Day Social at Chase Field.



LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION

ls-hf.org

Submitted by Donna Rowe/Executive Director

HELEN KELLER—KNIGHT OF THE BLIND AWARD

Do you have someone in your Lions Club that has worked on sight and hearing projects and should be recognized for their work? Why not present them with the new HELEN KELLER—KNIGHT OF THE BLIND AWARD through the LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION. This award can be given to anyone that has been working with White Cane, School Eyeglass programs or hearing aids. Even those who collect used eyeglasses from collection boxes each month may qualify.

Just send in the name of the individual and a brief description of what that person has done in sight and/or hearing programs for your club, the District, or whatever, along with \$1,000.00. The recipient will receive a beautiful plaque and a lapel pin and his/her name inscribed on the HELEN KELLER wall at the LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION.

PCC DAVE LAMBERT is the first person to be so honored.

The PCC DAVE LAMBERT MEMORIAL FUND has been established at LS&HF. PCC DAVE has a platinum leaf on the Memorial Tree. It is with heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends that we express our deepest condolences. He will be missed by many who knew and loved him. He will be remembered, in a special way, at our Memorial Service on November 5th here at the Foundation.

WICKENBURG LEO CLUB EXTRAORDINARY EXAMPLE OF LIONISM

HATS OFF TO THE WICKENBURG LEOS-Your accomplishments inspire all of us! They continue to be active participants in the "WALK 4 SIGHT AZ" event. In the spring they get pledges from generous citizens or businesses. To follow through with the pledges, the Leos perform the one mile "WALK 4 SIGHT

AZ". They have raised thousands of dollars to restore vision in needy people. They have also given to the White Cane Foundation. Their dedication to support people with vision impairment and blindness continues to be a true example of Lionism at its' best. Of course, we commend the WICKENBURG LIONS CLUB for their excellent leadership, especially Lion Linda Stevens.

WICKENBURG LEOS' other accomplishments include; Red Ribbon Week (anti-drug phrase); participates in the Cops Who Care Stuffing Party, Wrapping Party and Easter Egg Hunt; Peru Hurricane Relief Fund; Wickenburg Humane Society; they raised over \$100.00 to send to our U.S. Troops in need of care packages; Hands Across the Border trip to provide gifts to under-privileged children of Algodones, Mexico.

These Leos are without a doubt extraordinary. 96% of money they raise goes back to the community. They have followed through with virtually every goal they set for themselves and brought the WICKENBURG LEO CLUB name into the public eye. Most importantly, they inspire the youth of Wickenburg. LETS ROAR WITH PRIDE BECAUSE OF THE WICKENBURG LEOS.

PLEASE DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR — 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.

***WALK-4-SIGHT AZ event in March, 2010, it's not too late to start planning now. Please call Donna (602) 954-1723 for more information.

Why Orientation?

By PDG Rand Terwilleger
MD21 Orientation Chair

Have you ever joined a committee, an activity, or a company and wondered why you were there? I believe we all have at one time or another. That is why orientation is so important. If we understand what is expected of us, why we are there in the first place, and what we will get out of our participation, we are more likely to show up and be successful.

So it is with Lions. We are no different. We need to explain to our new members and our long-term members, what is expected of them and the benefits that will come their way by participating. Also they need to have a foundation of Lions history so they can fully appreciate what they have become a part of. When we do this, we will have more effective members and better retention.

So, when do we do orientation? We should be giving a brief orientation to our new club prospects prior to joining. That way they know what responsibilities they will have by being a member. And what they will receive in benefits from membership. Then once the prospect becomes a member, a more detailed orientation should ensue. Also we should continue to remind our long-term members of why they joined and how membership benefits them.

So please call your District Orientation Chair and ask them to help your club develop an orientation program or review the one you are now using for improvements. Also you might ask them to do an orientation for your new and long-term members.

Applications for 2010 – 2011 Council Chair Sought

The three MD - 21 1st Vice District Governors are seeking applicants for the position of 2010-2011 Council Chair. Applicants must be Past District Governors who have served in Multiple District 21, and cannot have previously served as Council Chair.

If interested in this position, please mail or email your resume to your District 1st VDG, or to all 3, before November 1, 2009. Email addresses are: Dist. 21-A: artdowns@cox.net, Dist. 21-B: janpro3@aol.com, Dist. 21-C: wiskidd@cableone.net

Interviews are tentatively scheduled to be held on Saturday, November 7, at the MD-21 Mid-Year conference in Prescott. Applicants will be notified of the time and place for the interviews.

Charlie Miles, the president of the Ahwatukee Lions Club. While on a business trip to the Washington, D.C. area, he attended a meeting of the Freedom District Lions Club in his home town of Eldersburg, MD. Shown in the photo are, from left, Freedom District Lions Club president, Carl Livesay, a former high school classmate of Charlie's, Charlie, center, and District Governor of 22W, Robert C. Disinger, who also attended the meeting with his entire cabinet.



District Governor 21A Column

Submitted by DG Ann Roberts, DG October Newsletter

Help is on its way!

perfect *adj*: being without fault or defect [Merriam-Webster Dictionary]

It would be nice if all our clubs fit this description. The truth be known, most of our clubs could use a little bit of help in some areas. Help is on its way! We have made some changes in the structure of 21A.

MERLO Team *noun*: 1 : senior leadership from District. 2 : specialist in MERLO area

The Team works in close coordination with your District Governor and your Cabinet. Each MERLO Team member has been asked to give special assistance to two zones.

M = MEMBERSHIP (PCC Ron Brown)

- Does your club currently have a membership emphasis?
- Has your club established a membership goal for 2009 – 10?
- Has your club implemented the Proud Lion/Proud Sponsor Program?

E = EXTENSION (PID Dave Roberts)

- Develop an action plan that locates possible sites for new clubs.
- Coordinates new plan expansion with existing clubs to provide benefits for both existing and new club.

R = RETENTION (PDG Les Daviet)

- Does your club think about/spend time on retaining the members already in the club as an effective membership growth tool? Do you have new projects to revitalize your membership?
- Is there a plan in place to ensure that each club member can identify that they are a valuable, wanted and essential part of the club's ability to make a significant difference in the community and the world by their dedication and efforts?

L = LEADERSHIP (PDG Ralph Williamson)

(IPDG Rand Terwilleger – Western Region)

- Does your club have a goal and a plan to reach it?
- Are all activities covered during your meeting in an organized manner? Is the prepared agenda available to club members before the meeting starts?
- Do you run your club as a business? Our product is SERVICE. We need to show our members how to sell our product.

O = ORIENTATION (IPDG Rand Terwilleger – Western Region)

(PDG Ralph Williamson)

- Who are Lions and what do we do? Do the members of your club know the history of their club, of Lions locally and throughout the world?
- Where does the new Lion fit in? Does the new Lion understand the organization of our association and its projects?
- Do your club members (new and old) know what is expected of them? [attendance, participation, recruitment]

If you feel your club could use additional support, training or trouble-shooting assistance in any of the above areas, please have a member of your club contact your Zone Chairperson to arrange for a member of the 21-AMERLO Team to meet with your club. Depending on the club, this initial meeting may be with the club's Officers and Board of Directors rather than the entire club. The initial MERLO presentation to your club will be a general presentation, probably by the MERLO member who has been asked to assist your club. He will explain what you can expect from the MERLO Team. A second meeting will be scheduled to start concentrating on the area your club and the MERLO Team feels will provide the best results. This will be done by a specialist in that area. Help is on its way!

NEXT 21A CABINET MEETING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

Congratulations 21A! You did a great job of showing up at the 1st Cabinet meeting and Kick-Off in Wickenburg on August 8th. In addition to our officers and Zone Chairmen we had 24 clubs in attendance headed up by fourteen presidents and seventeen secretaries.

Now it's time to mark your calendars and get set for the next, great Cabinet meeting on Sunday, November 8th at 9:15

AM at the Prescott Resort. (See complete schedule of events in this issue of Canyon State Lion.) Expect a different Cabinet Meeting format and additional "Bragging Rights" pins to be handed out. If you haven't been to the Mid-Year Leadership Forum for awhile, now's the time to come back. Never been? This is a great one to start with. The sessions and entertainment promise to be first rate!

DG ANN ROBERTS 21A 2009-10 VISITATION SCHEDULE

CLUB	DATE
Ahwatukee	11/18/2009
Ajo	11/16/2009
Anthem	10/20/2009
Arlington	11/9/2009
Black Canyon City	11/19/2009
Buckeye	10/28/2009
Buckeye Sundance	10/22/2009
Bullhead City	10/12/2009
Deer Valley	10/27/2009
Gila Bend	11/3/2009
Glendale Bellair	11/11/2009
Glendale Evening/Longhaven	11/12/2009
Glendale Sunrise	11/4/2009
Goodyear	10/27/2009
Kingman Mohave	10/1/2009
Lake Havasu City Daybreakers	10/1/2009
Lake Havasu City London Bridge	10/7/2009
Laveen	9/17/2009
Needles	10/13/2009
Parker	9/30/2009
Peoria Pioneer	10/22/2009
Peoria Sunset	10/28/2009
Peoria Westbrook Villiage	9/22/2009
Phoenix Adobe Mountain	9/15/2009
Phoenix Business	3/17/2010
Phoenix Downtown	7/30/2009
Phoenix Metro	9/8/2009
Phoenix Mid-County	10/27/2009
Phoenix Midtown	10/6/2009
Phoenix North Phoenix	11/11/2009
Salome	12/9/2009
San Luis Arizona	1/21/2010
South Phoenix Business	9/17/2009
Sun City Early Birds	11/20/2009
Sun City Host	10/22/2009
Sun City Mid-Week/Bell	10/21/2009
Sun City West Pioneer	11/2/2009
Sun City West Sunrise	11/12/2009
Surprise Grand	11/5/2009
Surprise Sun Village	1/5/2010
Wickenburg	10/8/2009
Yuma Quartermaster	1/20/2010
Phoenix Metro Lioness	
Wickenburg Lioness	
* Pending	

Lion Club looking for bowlers to give some shade!

If you think you are hearing roars outside, you are not mistaken. The Lions Club of Anthem is looking for bowlers and friends of bowlers to join in it's November 1st bowling fundraiser to raise money for a shade canopy for Canyon Springs Elementary School in Anthem.



"We are looking for families and friends to put on those great rented shoes and pick up a bowling ball, and help raise money for the kids", explains Lion Member Dallas Freeman. "With door prizes, food deals, and lots of fun, you will not want to miss this event".

The event is for 3 games of bowling, including shoes. The event is being sponsored by Mary Friedrich of Edward Jones and Freeman Income Tax Service. Ticket can also be purchased at both of these locations. The cost is \$20.00 per person, students from K to 12 will be \$15.00. The time of the event is from 2:30 to 4:30 at the Brunswick Zone Lanes in Glendale on 59th Ave.

The Canyon Spring School as already received the plans for the two shade structures that are still needed. The goal is to get enough money to get the first one erected in the last half of the school year.

Lions Club is a service organization with over 1.3 million members around the world.

When it comes to meeting challenges, our response is simple: We serve. In 205 countries, in hospitals and senior centers, in regions battered by natural disaster, in schools and in eyeglass recycling centers, Lions are at work, helping, leading, planning and supporting. Because we're local, we can serve the unique needs of the communities we live in. And because we're global, we can address challenges that go beyond borders.

To learn more about the Lions Club or to help with donations contact, Kerry Freeman at Freeman Income Tax Service. His phone number is 623-518-2157. You can also visit our Lions Club meetings held on the first and third Tuesday in the community room #435 at the Outlets of Anthem. Start time is 7:00pm.

OFFICIAL MINUTES DISTRICT 21A CABINET MEETING COMMUNITY CENTER WICKENBURG, ARIZONA AUGUST 8, 2009

The first Cabinet Meeting was held in conjunction with the District's "Kick Off meeting". The meeting was called to order by DG Ann Roberts at 9:00 a.m. The Wickenburg Boy Scout Troop #299 presented the colors and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Wickenburg Lions President, Stan Watson. PCC Ron Brown led the attendees in the National Anthems of Mexico and the USA. District 21A Chaplain Lion Linda Finley gave the invocation.

DG Ann Roberts introduced Tom and Ann Marie Davee and their son, Weston. Weston attended summer sessions at Lions Camp Tatiyee for two years. Weston thanked everyone for making it possible for him to attend the camp. His parents also thanked the Lions and all the camp staff for making his stays possible. Weston sang the Camp song for the crowd.

DG Ann Roberts introduced the newest International Director from MD 21, Dick Sawyer and his wife, Lion Fay. ID Dick then thanked the Lions of Arizona for all their support and for helping with his successful campaign. DG Ann then made welcoming comments and acknowledgements, introducing dignitaries and established protocol. We were honored to have Past District Governor Vicente Martinez and his wife, Past Club President Graciela, from B-1 Mexico as guests.

The Vice Mayor of Wickenburg, John Cook, welcomed everyone to Wickenburg and praised the Wickenburg Lions Club for the good work they do in the community.

Minutes of the February 14, 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.

PID John Walker installed the 2009-2010 Cabinet.

CST/2ndVDG 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 five (5) Advisors and several committee chairpersons in attendance. There were twenty-four (24) clubs represented by fourteen (14) presidents and seventeen (17) secretaries.

Minutes of the May 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 will be accepted as published.

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.

The District's budget for 2009-10 was distributed prior to the meeting. ZC Karen Steffek made a motion to accept the Budget and 1st VDG Art Downs made the second and the motion passed unanimously.

DG Ann Roberts presented the first two (2) Bragging Rights pins to Buckeye Sundance's Christy McAchran, for her work with providing Buckeye students with backpacks and necessary school supplies, and Lion Joe Stevens for his work as Chairman of the Kickoff weekend.

Ben Routi, Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce President, spoke on "What's New in Wickenburg". He also encouraged us as Lions to look for younger more active members to keep the organization going into the future.

PCC Joan Williamson presented information about the upcoming 2010 International Convention in Sydney, Australia.

PID Dave Roberts reported on the "Fun-Raiser" at the Diamondbacks Baseball game August 30, 2009. This event is just for fun and socializing.

DG Ann presented "Speed Goal Setting-More Fun Than Speed Dating". Attendees split into groups to learn how to share thoughts on goal setting.

1stVDG Art Downs made a presentation about the USA/Canada Leadership Forum in Memphis, September 24-26.

Lion Joe Stevens presented three (3) participants in the Youth Exchange program sponsored by the Wickenburg Lions. Lion Joe also gave an entertaining oral history of the Wickenburg area.

PID Dave Roberts gave a refresher course on "The Healthy Club Toolbox".

Lion Gretchen Fuller spoke about Vision Quest 20/20 and their new software program to test visual acuity in children.

IPDG Rand Terwilleger presented several Excellence Awards to deserving club secretaries. To his surprise IPDG Rand was presented with a second diamond for his Melvin Jones pin.

PDG Ralph Williamson and 1st VDG Art Downs spoke about GMT (Global Membership Team) and MERL (Membership, Extension, Retention, Leadership) programs respectively.

The Tail Twister, Lion Dick Sarter, collected \$301.00 to add to the District's income.

DG Ann Roberts adjourned the meeting at 3:30pm.

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

SPECIAL ATTENTION

Please change your calendars

- I have just been notified that NASCAR has changed their dates and will be in Phoenix the week-end of April 10, 2010. This was confirmed today by the Phoenix International Raceway.
- Because so many clubs and Lion members participate in this event both DG Ann Roberts and I choose to change the date of the 21-A convention to March 20th 2009.
- The Convention will still be at the Crowne Plaza, 2532 W. Peoria Arizona 85029
- Further information will be forthcoming.

Kingman Lions Club donates \$500 to Code 3 / Clothe the Kids

Kingman, AZ, August 20, 2009—Kingman Lions are giving a helping hand by donating \$500 to further the success of Code 3 / Clothe the Kids. The Lions, who have traditionally focused on the sight and hearing needs of Kingman area youth, view Code 3 as crucial to the community, especially in these hard economic times.

"Kingman is fortunate for the foresight behind Code 3," says Lion President Kelly Pickering, "without the framework already in place, most kids who couldn't afford to replace their outworn winter clothes would just have to do without."

Code 3 is a combined effort of several service organizations and local government agencies throughout Kingman. "As service clubs we all have to work together," says Code 3 Chairman Marvin Taylor. According to Taylor, Code 3 lifted holiday spirits by aiding more than 700 children in both the 2007 and 2008 Christmas seasons with new clothes.

Picture L/R: Thomas Price, Joseph Gormany, Sid Cranston, Robin Gordon, Dannelle Myers, Code 3 Chairman Marvin Taylor, Michael Kenny and Lion President Kelly Pickering.



Phoenix Metro Lions Club
proudly presents the

Ugly Old Lady Car Wash

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Saturday, October 24th
Auto Zone at
43rd Avenue & Cactus

Featuring Ralph "Bubbles" Williamson
& the Flirtatious Forrest Hickman

Babes so HOT
they'll melt your
pacemaker!

Bring Your Camera!

District Governor 21B Column

Submitted by DG Jim Brotherton, DG October Newsletter

Hello 21B Lions -

Think you might want to be a DG someday? Now is the time to toss your hat in the ring for VDG for next year. Give me a call and I will be glad to share info.

Congratulations!

One of the most pleasant jobs of a District Governor is sharing information about clubs doing a wonderful job. The following clubs are definitely in that category this month - all of them are reporting membership increases!

Chandler	+1
San Manuel Oracle	+1
South Tucson	+1
Tucson Breakfast	+2
North Tucson	+2
Green Valley La Canoa	+2
Sun Lakes	+2
Guadalupe	+1

Plan now for some real fun -

Come to Prescott in November for Lions information you can use and the chance to meet Lions from all over the state. AND attendees will be learning first who the Lions of the Month are for August, September, and October. Get your registration form in now.

Save some time March 12-13 for our district convention in Tucson. It'll be Cowboy Up for good seminars all day and some mighty fine entertainment on Saturday evening - and if you can make it down on Friday you will get a private tour of the Vision Science center funded by the Lions at the University of Arizona.

What a fantastic experience!

Highlight of our travels this month was the trip VDG1 Carl Johannesen and Tia, Dottie and I - and our guide dog in training Willey - made to the Lions World Services for the Blind in Little Rock, Arkansas. This was Willey's first airplane ride so the trip was a learning experience for Willey, Dottie and Jim. But LWSB is a grand place to visit. Founded in 1947 by a local Lion, it offers training for the blind much like SAAVI and the Arizona School for the Blind - with added training of special job skills like wood working, massage therapy and small engine repair. A contract with the IRS allows them to train and put about 40 sight impaired people to work each year. LWSB is training 4 people from Arizona right now - eight so far this year.

About 60% of the funding for LWSB comes from the state the person comes from; the balance comes from outside sources such as Lions Clubs. This is a very good cause that needs money. Arizona Lions provided \$25 total last year - with eight people from the state improving their ability to make a living, I think we can do a little better than that. Please consider.

We also were among the 99 Lions and guests in attendance at the LFA baseball game in Phoenix. A really great day with lots of visiting and some good ideas discussed — lots of food and a good baseball game too. Good job by Lion George and LFA Board of Directors.

Official Visits Coming up - join us —

October 20 -	Tucson Sunrise
October 20 -	Nogales
October 20 -	Cochise Stronghold
October 21 -	Tucson Breakfast
October 21 -	Douglas
October 21 -	Florence
October 26 -	Gilbert
October 27 -	Chandler Ojo Rojo
October 27 -	Eloy
November 3 -	Guadalupe
November 4 -	Sierra Vista La Salida Del Sol
November 4 -	Tucson Leones de las Montanas
November 4 -	Tucson Desert
November 10 -	South Tucson
November 10 -	Huachuca City
November 12 -	Globe

Let's B the best!
Jim Brotherton, District Governor 21B

LIONS DELIVER EQUIPMENT TO SEACUS

By Lion Carolyn Vessels, Contributing Writer

Prior to the 21-B Lions Cabinet Meeting in Safford, past Safford Lions President Ron Hansen contacted the Lions Foundation of Arizona to request that some of the equipment acquired through donations be funneled to Safford for use by the city's handicapped residents. LFA Executive Director George Hill agreed to bring two wheelchairs and two seated walkers with him when he came to the Cabinet Meeting.

True to his word, Hill, along with Jeannette Russell, executive director of the Lions Vision Center, met Hansen at the SEACUS office (an organization that provides assistance to the handicapped) in Safford on Aug. 14 and dropped off the much-needed equipment.

Royce Hunt, SEACUS program manager, said, "We really appreciate the donations. They will go far to bless a lot of people."



Pictured from left, George Hill, LFA Exec. Dir.; Royce Hunt, SEACUS program manager; Safford Lion Ron Hansen; Josie Ramirez, SEACUS case manager; and Jeannette Russell, Exec. Dir. of Lions Vision Center.

You don't have to do it all alone.

Whatever project you take on this year for your club, you can find help among district chairpersons. Just call or email - they are there to help you.

Our MERL-W Team includes:

Membership

Get help with membership recruiting ideas or put on a Friendship night: VDG2 Chip Kline lionchip@peoplepc.com 520 457-3255

Extension

Thinking of starting a branch club? It's an easy way to build membership. VDG1 Carl Johannesen janpro3@aol.com 480 924-0737

Retention

Find out how to assess the health of your club. PDG Forrest Chevront chevront@juno.com 480 802-1187

Leadership

Great training for every Lion. PDG Gerson Gonzalez gerson7777@comcast.net 520 225-0547

Women's Membership Development

Let's double the number of women in each club this year. Karen Sell karenlsell@aol.com, 520 743-0785.

Is there a special woman in your life?



Would she be a good Lion?

Get your copy of 50 Ways to Woo a Woman (member, that is)

It's Free! Email Women's Membership Chair LionKarenSell@aol.com

Send Those Photos! Hey 21B Clubs - want to be famous? Now you can send pictures of your fund raising and service projects to Lion Richard Rhoads, District Photographer, azlionrichard@yahoo.com and he will turn them into slide shows for the whole district to enjoy at district meetings. Also, if you need your event photographed, give Lion Richard a jingle at 520 888-0145.



D21-B RETENTION IDEAS

How to make a positive impact on D21-B Lions and others with "Retention" ideas? "That is the question Dr. Watson, wherever you might be?"

Last month PDG Lion Les Daviet II of D21-A also raised a question: "Does your club think about and spend time on retaining your club members as an effective membership growth tool?" Think about it and try some of the following ideas.

I suggest if you are a sponsor of a member, you get them involved with you on a club project and have fun doing it.

If you haven't sponsored a member, now is a good time. But, meanwhile, get acquainted with other new members and make them feel welcome in your club. You know how cliques start and new members get left out. You and your club worked hard getting new members and getting them involved in club activities or projects. Don't lose them because of some misunderstanding. Lions, let's have a great year and have fun doing it.

Sponsors, keep in close contact with your member on what they may need as a member of the club or, working on a project they may have questions, such as:

1. Who is involved in the project?
2. What needs to be done?
3. Where will we be?
4. When do I need to be there?
5. Why are we doing this?

If your member misses a meeting, find out why. Family, Illness, Work, etc. Send them cards showing your concern.

Club officers, I encourage you to have a designated Membership Chair who will conduct an orientation of new and existing members. You also need a club retention person.

Remember, **"Be the best that you can be in Lionism."**

PDG Lion Forrest Chevront, D21-B Retention Chair, MERL Team

District Governor 21C Column

Submitted by DG Phil Phillips, DG October Newsletter

Our first Cabinet Meeting is history and I was quite pleased with the turn out, almost 100 Lions and Lioness. Our thanks to the Overgaard Ponderosa Club for handling the registration and to the Payson Lions Club for coming up with all the fine prizes for the raffle. As of now I do not have a final accounting of the monies.

No mention of the Cabinet Meeting would be complete without expressing our heart felt thanks to our two Lions who put on the Diabetic skit. I, and I am sure you, were not aware we had such hams in the district. Lion Rene and Lion Laura our hats are off to you for the fine job you did and also to your four patients who really got into the whole skit, Lions Sandy Phillips, Dick Bragg Sr., Lion Marie Hughes and Lion Dave Webster. A fine job by all.

My visitation schedule is continuing having been to many clubs and seen what they are doing both in the way of fund raisers but also in community service projects. However at the same time I am quite concerned about some of the clubs as membership continues to drop and those members remaining are all getting older. Where are the younger people that we are supposed to be working to recruit?

I have visited two of the four Lioness Clubs in our District and these ladies are going great guns, busier both in fundraisers and community projects. In some areas they far out shine some of the Lions Clubs to put it quick frankly.

I continue to receive the Monthly Membership Reports from most of the clubs, but some have not submitted a report for several months according to LCI, what is going on? If your secretary needs assistance there are many Lions in our District more than willing to help. If you need password numbers and/or membership numbers just let me know as I have all of them for the District. Without the monthly reports no one in the District or at LCI knows what your club is doing or even if it is still alive. As I have said before even if your club goes dark for a few months the Monthly Membership Report still needs to be submitted.

Let's not forget our Mid Year Conference in Prescott on Nov. 6,7 and 8. There are some very good seminars planned which should provide a lot of good for those in attendance. But if you don't attend it will be your loss.

The new Directories have all been distributed and now is the time to submit any changes to LFA to be published in the Canyon State Lion as other Lions may have a need to contact you but are unable to do so due to a bad address, e-mail or phone number.

So if you move or change any of the above let your secretary know so the change can be made.

Speaking of bad addresses I got an e-mail from LFA and there are still a number of Lions in the District whose addresses are not right with LCI. As a result there are still a lot of Lions Magazines and Canyon State Lions being returned due to incorrect addresses. This is an unnecessary expense for both LCI and LFA. All members should check with your secretary to be sure your right address is listed not only on your club roster but also with LCI as LFA gets their mailing labels from LCI.

At the Cabinet Meeting we were able to see Lionism in action by the placing of an electric powered chair to a lady in the community of Chino Valley who was trying to raise money to buy one. I recently received photos of the lady with the chair which hopefully have been sent to LFA for the Canyon State Lion. If that isn't what we are all about I challenge you to offer up a better example. All of this was achieved through the efforts of the Chino Valley Noontimers represented by Lions Marie and Steve Hughes. Way to go.

Visitations will be continuing and we will be meeting new Lions and clubs through out the District and we are looking forward to seeing each and every one of you.

During the last few weeks we have lost two long time Lions from our ranks. Lion Don Knutson PDG and Lion Dave Lambert also PDG. Their loss will be felt by all in the MD and we want to express our heart felt sympathy to their families.

In Remembrance of 9/11

Springerville Lions hosted a 9/11 presentation at the new Round Valley Library on Friday evening, 9/11/09. Rich Tuminello, a member of the Springerville Lions Club, was the guest speaker that evening. He is a retired member of a New Jersey Fire Department who experienced first-hand the aftermath of that fateful day. The presentation included a slide show, video footage and audio of actual fire department communications during that time.

The local White Mountain Independent newspaper provided a front-page story advertising the presentation. The story included a large, graphic picture of the 9/11 disaster and a detailed interview with Lion Rich. The presentation was very well-attended by local residents and touched the hearts of all who were there.

Donations were accepted at the door, and \$195 was received to be used for Lions activities. Springerville Lions plans to host an ongoing series of interesting presentations for the community.

Lions of 21C Donate Motorized Chair

Submitted by Zone Chair Steve Hughes

The chair was picked up at the District 21-C cabinet meeting in August by Steve and Marie Hughes of the Chino Valley Noontimers Lions Club as they knew of a needy recipient. The presentation was made the following week to a teacher at Chino Valley High School who was in need of it. The chair was donated on behalf of Lions District 21-C to Ms. Cheryl Stewart and very much appreciated. Pictured below are L-R: Trish Smith, GATE instructor; Cheryl Stewart, science teacher and recipient; Zone Chair Steve Hughes; Marie Hughes, President Chino Valley Noontimers; and students from the GATE program at Chino Valley High School.



DG Visitation Schedule

Mesa Dreamcatchers	Oct. 5
Camelback Lions	Oct. 6
Mayer Centennial	Oct. 8
Camelback Lioness	Oct. 12
Scottsdale Pride	Oct. 14
Mesa East	Oct. 20
Mesa Host	Oct.20
Scottsdale Pin. Peak	Oct. 21
Mesa Citrus Gardens	Oct 22
Payson	Oct. 26
Bradshaw Mountain	Nov. 11
Camp Verde	Nov.12
Payson Lioness	Nov. 17
Concho Valley	Nov. 17
Overgaard-Ponderosa	Nov. 18
Phoenix Animation	Nov. 22
Phoenix Barangay	Dec. 5
Fountain Hills	Dec. 10
Phoenix Paradise Village	Dec. 15
Prescott Sunrise	Dec. 17
Tempe Lions	Jan. 5
Paradise Village Evening	Jan. 5
Phoenix Biltmore	Jan 7
Phoenix Breakfast	Jan 8
Phoenix Phil-Am	Jan 13
Phoenix Dragon	Jan. 17
Scottsdale Los Amigos	Jan 20
Tempe Sun Devils	Feb. 9
Phoenix Social	TBA

Lions Saving Children's Hearing!!

"If you abuse it, you will lose it!". That is what will happen to our school children, if they abuse their hearing from loud use of the iPods, over an extended period of time.

Lions clubs of Arizona are being asked to help get the message out to our schools, urging them to participate in the Dangerous Decibels program. It is estimated that over 129,000 young folks, between the age of 6 and 19, in AZ, have some degree of permanent hearing loss, due to loud noises. The main reason for the loud noise is the use of the iPod, using two ear buds at full volume. Research shows that using the iPod at full volume and two ear buds can cause ear loss damage after 15 seconds per day. Once the delicate hearing hair is lost in the inner ear, it can never be replaced.

In partnership with the AZ Commission of the Deaf & Hard of Hearing and Cochlear Americas, educational kits are available, free of charge from the commission, available to the Lions clubs and the schools. When the supply runs out, Cochlear Americas can renew them. The Commission is urging the 60-60 rule, which is 60% volume on the iPod for a maximum of 60 minutes per day.

Any Lions club, in AZ, that would desire to participate in this saving the hearing of our school children program, will be sent a kit by contacting Lion Bill Schafer, wschafer1927@msn.com. Please indicate the mailing address. After reviewing the materials, the Lions member or members are urged, as a hands on project, to contact the schools that they are currently servicing for eye glasses. By showing them the program and urging the school to participate, by contacting the commission for the free teacher's educational materials at M.Michaels@acdhh.az.gov, the program is set up. The Lion's members can volunteer to help present the school program, if desired.

Later, after the school uses the program, the Lions club can volunteer to present the program to the parents at a PTA meeting. This could be an opportunity for new Lions members, from among the grateful parents.

This can be a win-win situation.

We're Here ! Arrival in Australia.

Submitted by Lion Hans Groot

Finally, after all your planning, the plane touches down on Australian ground. Arrival procedures in Australia are not much different from any other country. On board your flight you will be handed two forms, one for immigration and one for customs/quarantine. You will hopefully have left at home any contraband; unprocessed foods, products made from endangered species are two examples of what not to bring.

The walk from the gate to the customs hall may be quite long. Ask airport staff if you require special assistance. After the immigration checkpoint, you'll have the joy of waiting for your luggage. Don't be surprised if you receive a visit from a sniffer dog, looking for any aforementioned contraband. Your luggage will possibly be subject to another run through the x-ray machine as you leave the customs area. If you have not already changed out some US dollars to Australian dollars, you may want to find the nearest ATM and get some cash. Then make your way out to the cool but hopefully sunny Australian morning.

Although there is a subway train line from the airport in to the city, I recommend taking a taxicab, it may be a few dollars more, but gets you directly to your hotel. You can brave the subway later. If you are on an organized tour you may have airport transfer to hotel pre-arranged.

The Arizona delegation hotel is close to the Convention center. It is a short distance from Chinatown and also close to one of the major subway stations.

Getting around in Sydney

This is not too challenging; trains, buses, ferries, monorail and cabs will get you to most of the places you want to get to. Remember the Australians drive on the "other" side of the road and they walk the "other" side of the sidewalk too. So if you plan to rent a car you'll need to reverse your left and right brain. Make yourself familiar with the road rules; some of them are different than what you are familiar with. Familiarize yourself with the metric system. By the way, kilometer does not rhyme with speedometer.

If driving out in the rural areas be mindful of native fauna and stray farm animals. In Arizona we have deer. In Australia they have kangaroo. When car meets kangaroo at highway speeds, neither wins and serious injuries to passengers may occur.

Check the Internet

Here are some great sites to checkout as you are planning your trip;

LCI website with Convention Information: - www.lionsclubs.org

Lions MD 201: - www.lionsclubs.org.au

Visit Sydney: - www.sydneyaustralia.com

Visit New South Wales: - www.visitnsw.com

Qantas Airlines: - www.qantas.com.au

Sydney Rail: - www.cityrail.info

Coming up in future editions: What to do in Australia, How to speak Australian.

Four Prescott Noon Lions Club members have earned Melvin Jones Fellow recognition from the Lions Clubs International Foundation for their humanitarian work on the paper shredding crews at the Yavapai Regional Medical Centers in Prescott and Prescott Valley.

John Miller, a 20-year Lion who serves as a shredding crew chairman, was recognized with the Melvin Jones Fellow Progressive Award, and joining him as recipients of Fellow Awards were Jim Townsend, Buz Williams and Dan Burt.

Noon Lions members handle the increasing amount of paper needing shredding and recycling at the hospital's west and east campuses. That volume of paper, together with the many tons of other paper deposited in trailers at numerous local supermarket and senior citizen housing sites, is the club's major fund-raising project that allows it to donate many thousands of dollars annually to charitable organizations, and has earned the club international recognition.

"We are very happy to offer our congratulations to these four exceptional men," noted a YRMC spokesperson in the hospital's July-September 2009 volunteer services newsletter in regard to the award recipients. "We're proud that they choose to offer their time and talents at YRMC!"

Proud Lion/Proud Sponsor Program

Presented by the MD21 Chairs

When you first joined Lions, did you ever wonder how you were ever going to learn everything you needed to know about Lions? So you could become an effective member. If you were like most new members, the answer is probably yes. A good orientation is the best starting point. But it needs to be followed with activities that will give the new member a point of reference. It will also give the new member a better perspective of the different levels of Lions.

So, how can we do this? One of the best and proven methods is the Proud Lion/Proud Sponsor Program. It gives the new member and his or her sponsor or mentor a path to follow. By participating in just five easy activities, the new member can be well on their way to a rewarding membership in Lions.

So contact your District Chair, IPDG Rand Terwilliger District 21A, Lion Barbara Daily District 21B or Lion Sandy Phillips District 21C to find out more about this outstanding program. Or better yet, schedule a time for them to present the program at your next zone meeting.

They each have a supply of pins and program details. They look forward to helping your club in its efforts to make sure that each new Lion has a rewarding experience with their Lions membership. Remember; when we better understand what Lions do, we will better serve our communities.



The Prescott Noon Lions recently "adopted" Jade, the newcomer lioness at Prescott's Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary, via a \$750 donation for a year's upkeep. Heritage Park's executive director, Pam McLaren, displays a photo of Jade. Flanking her, from left, are Tom Cardinal, Phil Weliky and club president Bob Hester.

Calendar of Events

2009

Oct 17	Camelback Mountain Lions Club, "Octoberfest 2009", Arizona Center for the Blind, 3100 E. Roosevelt	Phoenix	Hank or Carol Dakai 602-954-0501
Oct 17	San Tan Lions Club, First Annual Golf Classic at Las Colinas Golf Club	Queen Creek	Paul 480-284-4745 or Rick 480-458-5859
Oct 17	Flagstaff Sunrise Lions Club, Auction, Preview at 8 a, Auction at 9 a, Landscape Connection, 5400 E. Empire Blvd.	Flagstaff	928-526-9052
Oct 22 - 24	San Manuel Galiuro Mountain Lions Club, Deer Hunter's Burro Sale, 3 miles S/of San Manuel/Redington Rd. Junction, 4:00 a.m. all day		
Oct 24	Phoenix Metro Lions Club, "Ugly Old Lady Car Wash", Auto Zone at 43rd Avenue & Cactus, 9 a - 2 p.		Karen Buckles 480-905-8297
Oct 24	Benson Lions Club Golf Tournament	Benson	Sally Manley 520-586-4395
Oct 29	Phoenix Downtown Lions Club, "Phoenix Greyhound Charity Night"	Phoenix	Howard 602-943-5793
Oct 31	Mesa Lions Clubs Foundation Charity Golf Tournament, Red Mountain Ranch Country Club	Mesa	PDG Ed Middlesworth 480-984-5081
Oct 31	Sun City Mid-Week Bell Lions Club, 13 th Annual Legends of the West Luncheon		623-875-3758
Nov 5	Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation, Memorial Service	Phoenix	Donna Rowe 602-954-1723
Nov 6	2nd Council Meeting	Prescott	
Nov 7 - 8	Mid-Year Leadership Conference	Prescott	

2010

Jan 9	Melvin Jones Memorial Rededication Day	Fort Thomas	Sally Hanson 480-802-0151 PDG Lee McGee 480-218-1517
Jan 24	Fountain of the Sun Lions Charter Night	Mesa	Jerry Hanson 480-275-6835
Jan 30	Sun Lakes Lions Club, 6 th Annual Casino Night	Sun Lakes	Sally Hanson 480-802-0151
Feb 6	Laveen Community Parade	Laveen	Harry Toliver 602-237-4701
Feb 20	Chandler Sunbird Lions, "Drive for Sight" Golf Outing	Chandler	PDG Fred Garmeson 480-895-9363
Feb 21	Laveen Lions Country Challenge (Bicycle Ride)	Laveen	Vince Calufetti 602-268-0642
Feb 26 - 27	North American Conference of Lions Foundation	Phoenix	Donna Rowe 602-954-1723
Mar 12 - 14	21B Convention		
Mar 13	Chandler Sunbird Lions, Wine & Cheese Expo	Chandler	PDG Fred Garmeson 480-895-9363
Mar 26 - 27	3 rd Council Meeting & 21C Cabinet Meeting	TBA	
Mar 20	21A Convention, Crowne Plaza, 2532 W. Peoria	Phoenix	PDG Ralph Williamson 623-773-9170
Mar 27	4 th Annual Walk 4 Sight AZ Event	Statewide	Donna Rowe 602-954-1723
Apr 17	Peoria Lions, 1 st Annual Golf Tournament	Peoria	Jim 602-881-0522 or Rob 623-583-3254
Apr 17	Officers Training	Phoenix	PDG Ralph Williamson 623-773-9170
Apr 24	Officers Training	Tucson	PDG Ralph Williamson 623-773-9170
Apr 24	Pride of the Lions Charity Golf Tournament, Orange tree Golf Course	Scottsdale	Howard Arntz 602-943-5793
Apr 24	Laveen Lions Golf Tournament	Laveen	Sharon Anderson 602-237-4207
May 1	Officers Training	Flagstaff	PDG Ralph Williamson 623-773-9170
May 6 - 8	DGE, VDGE, CST, CT Training	Phoenix	PDG Ralph Williamson 623-773-9170
May 21	4 th Council Meeting	Mesa	
May 21 - 23	MD Convention, Mesa Hilton	Mesa	PCC N. Alan Lundgren
Jun 12	Overgaard Ponderosa Golf Tournament	Overgaard	ID Dick Sawyer 928-535-5563
Sep 23 - 25	USA/Canada Forum	Milwaukee, WI	

Tatiyee Land Campaign Progress

The report to the right represents revenues received for the Tatiyee Land Campaign (TLC) versus expenses for TLC. The time frame is from July 1, 2009 to August 31st, 2009.

The deficit must be covered by someone and that someone is your LFA and our funds are exhausted! Please support the Tatiyee Land Campaign and Lions Foundation of Arizona.

Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc. Tatiyee Land Campaign Revenues Versus Expenses From July 1, 2009 to August 31, 2009				
Months	Description	Deposits	Expenses	Balance
July & August	Donations	\$ 3,850.00		\$ 3,850.00
July & August	Share of LFA Mortgage		\$ (4,917.00)	\$ (1,067.00)
July & August	Taxes & Insurance		\$ (523.00)	\$ (1,590.00)
July & August	Environmental Study		\$ (26,772.76)	\$ (28,362.76)
July & August	Promissory Note Interest		\$ (19,357.62)	\$ (47,720.38)



PHOENIX GREYHOUND CHARITY NIGHT
3801 EAST WASHINGTON
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2009 AT 6 PM

SPONSORED BY THE PHOENIX DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB

Join the fun with your fellow Lions, Lionesses and guests. The fun starts at 6 PM and continues until we are all winners or broke. Earn money for your Lion Club's favorite charity. The donation from the American Greyhound Racing Foundation will be split among participating Lions clubs based upon the number of paid buffet tickets of each club.

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Please fill out the ticket order form below and mail it with your check made payable to
Phoenix Downtown Lions Club Foundation

TO: Lion Eddie Williams
14175 W. Indian School Rd.
Suite B4-310
Goodyear, AZ 85395

Cutoff date for reservations is October 19. Early registrations appreciated!

Name _____

Club _____

Address _____

Number of buffet tickets _____ @ \$25 each = \$ _____

Please indicate how many of your tickets should be for seating in the accessible seating area _____

For information call: **Lion Howard Arntz (602) 943-5793**
Lion Eddie Williams (480) 221-4931
Lion Morris Fausett (602) 234-2071

MELVIN JONES LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCE THEIR EFFORT FOR WORLDWIDE RECOGNITION

At their August teleconference meeting, a majority of the board voted to pick up a one day's expense for a visiting Lions Club International Director and spouse, (if attending). They would be picked up at either airport in Phoenix or Tucson by a MJLIM Board member, transported to Fort Thomas for their visit of the Museum and Memorial. An overnight stay may be required. The next day they will be returned to the designated Convention Hotel that they were invited to attend.

The Board feels worldwide recognition of the Museum/Memorial is long overdue. The birthplace of Melvin Jones, Founder of Lions Clubs International needs its proper place in the records.

Current President of MJLIM Board, PDG Lion Lee McGee, has asked Board member, PDG Lion Forrest Chevront to coordinate the visitations with the ID's and any Board Member who wants to transport the visitors. First visitor will be ID Lion Douglas Lozier and spouse, Lion Kathy, who come from Indianapolis Indiana. They will be here Nov 5 for visitation to the MJLIM and Nov 6 -8 for the Leadership Development Forum & Mid Year Conference in Prescott, AZ.

Submitted by: MJLIM Board Member, PDG Lion Forrest Chevront, D21-B

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