



NEWSLETTER

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"Share Success Through Service"

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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

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Greetings: my fellow Lions

Time really flies when you are having fun, which is just what I am doing at this time of my term as District Governor. I am writing the September Newsletter already. It hardly seems like we were just in Detroit for the LCI convention.

I have made several Club visits and I do find these Clubs are doing a magnificent job in each of their programs and projects. In recent correspondence received from International President Kusiak, he wishes to have each of the Governor's to start more visitations on the Zone level in order to free the Governor's time frame in order to give more effort to extension, membership, and retention.

Just as soon as I return from the USA/Canada forum in Reno, it is my idea to immediately meet with each of District 31-E region and zone chairpersons to start implementation of this plan as suggested by Pres. Kusiak. There are many ways that we as Lions can "SERVE" and one of these is to acquire more members for each of our Clubs, to better enable us to do a more complete job in service to our community.

There are numerous ways of Service, many of which were set out in our July/August issue of "The Lion" by Pres. Clem.

There are so many ways to be a part of LCI, remember our assistance to LCIF, be a part of the Peace Poster, there are so many other areas and programs offered by LCI to each Club and Lion in the world. In fact so many are listed on the LCI web site that it all most seems that every Club could have their own project and still have some left over. These are just some of the reasons that I encourage each Club and each member to get involved. Be committed to Lionism and a better job is then done by all. One of the main things I would stress to each Lion reading this message, that since we are a District in transition, it is very important to all concerned that we raise our level of membership above the 1250 member level as required by International. This will certainly make it easier for the next Governor to continue the programs that are necessary to "Serve" the community that we as Lions are expected to do.

Yours in Lionism: Fred

District Theme:

Share the "Pride"
Share the "Service"



THE NORTH CAROLINA LIONS FOUNDATION

The North Carolina Lions Foundation has been very active and busy in District 31-E during the month of August. Some of the highlights were:

1. Weekend of August 6th thru 8th, the Foundation Officers and Directors met at the Holiday Inn, Salisbury, NC for their first regular meeting of the new Lions year. The highlight of the weekend was the Saturday night banquet at which time Lion Harvey Whitley was installed as President of the NCLF. Other officers were also installed with Lion Howard Stallings, PID doing the honors and did a fantastic job, as he always does.

. Another highlight of the evening was the recognition of the various Lions in the District, being remembered for their service to Lionism as Lions of the year.
2. Wednesday, August 25th, was the District kickoff for our White Cane drive for the 2004-2005 year. Lion Tim Williams, District White Cane Chair did a magnificent job as M/C and moving the meeting forward. With in in excess of 125 persons in attendance, the meeting was a rousing success for all present. The following made comments, Lion Steve Walker, Executive Director, Lion Harvey Whitley, NCLF President, Lion Clarence Williford, State White Cane Chairman, Lion David Osborne, State Co-Chair of Camp Dogwood, and District Governor Fred Plummer. The evening and meeting closed with several clubs presenting an initial contribution to the Foundation, at which time, Lion Steve was given \$9, 294.50 to return to Camp Dogwood with. A delicious meal was enjoyed by all at Jay's Fish House, Albemarle.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Page 2: add: Zip code for District Governor is "27360"

Page 9: Lion Sammy Shoaf correct e-mail is shoaf24@triad.rr.com

Page 15: correction: Spencer LC, now meets at "Uncle Glenn's"

Formerly Jim's BBQ-615 N. Salisbury Ave, Spencer

Page 30: Allen King DG correct e-mail: aking1970@ec.rr.com

Page 31: Paul Bledsoe VDG: new e-mail: bledsoe3@earthlink.net

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Page 31: Steve Wilson VDG correct: e-mail swilson83@nc.rr.com

Page 34: add: State Leo Chair: Lion Larry Covington, Dobson Lions Club
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Page 39: add: Andy Darr e-mail: djampac33@aol.com

Page 40: Lou Creel add e-mail creel@intellport.com



TRAVELING WITH GOVERNOR FRED

Beginning with this issue, I will list my travels to include Official Club visits. Each club president has been notified by letter as to when I will visit with them.

September 5 thru 12.....USA Canada Forum, Reno, NV
September 15.....Salisbury Lions Club, visit
September 16.....Landis LC, visit
September 18.....Rockwell LC, 50th Anniversary.
September 21.....Spencer LC, visit
September 23.....Mt. Pleasant LC, visit
September 25.....Everybody's Day, Thomasville, Co Council Booth
September 27.....Mt. Ulla LC, visit
September 28.....Odell LC, visit
September 30.....Thomasville LC, visit
October 04.....Central LC, visit
October 05.....Concord LC, visit
October 06.....Davidson Co Lions Council Raffle, Lexington
October 11 thru 13.....VIP Fishing Tournament, Manteo & Kitty Hawk

DISTRICT CLUB ACTIVITIES PAST AND PRESENT

DENTON: Club has committed \$10,000.00 to the South Davidson High School Athletic Boosters payable over the next four or five years.

LEXINGTON DT: Up coming Golf Tournament –September 22, 2004

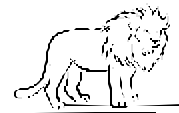
LOCUST: Club will sponsor the Vision Van—October 3-4, 2004

MT. ULLA: Breakfast- Bear Poplar Fire Dept—September 18, 2004
Pumpkin Festival—October 23-24, 2004

WALLBURG: Golf Tournament for Fund Raiser---September 18, 2004
Old Homeplace Golf Course

WELCOME; White Cane Roadblock---October 16, 2004

If you think you are too small to make a difference, you haven't been in bed with a Mosquito (Anita Roddick)



SPECIAL UP-COMING EVENTS—31-E

ARCADIA: Saturday September 11, 2004 the Club will be hosting a Gospel Sing at the Friedberg Moravian Church starting at 7:00PM. Southern Gospel Singing at it's best.. Admission is free and all proceeds go to Humanitarian/White Cane Fund. For info. contact Lion Jim Bumgarner, President Arcadia Lions Club: PH#336-764-0135 or e-mail: jbum@earthlink.net

ALSO: the Arcadia LC will be holding their semi-annual Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, September 16th at the Arcadia Community Center from 2:30PM until 7:30PM. Hot Dogs will be served: for info. contact Lion Jim Bumgarner.

ROCKWELL: Again this is mentioned as the Rockwell LC will celebrate 50 years of Service to the Community. All of District 31-E is invited for this big event on Saturday, September 18, 2004 at the Bethel Baptist Church Gym, 401 Depot St, Rockwell, NC. Reservation are required, contact Lion Pres. Leebert Ketner for additional information.

FESTIVAL IN THE PARK: A very special event for our neighbors of District 31-C. The Charlotte Lions will sponsor this special event from September 23rd to September 26, 2004. The festivities will take place at FREEDOM PARK, located in Charlotte. With in excess of 100,000 persons seeing this and being present to view Lions at their best, the Vision Van will be on hand for four (4) days, Lions will man the Information Booth with Camp Dogwood tickets available from area Lions, with many other Lions handouts available. Many Lions will work as volunteers for this major benefit project of the Charlotte Lions. Every Lion in NC and especially District 31-E are encouraged to support our sister District to the South. For complete information please check the 31-C web site at www.nclion-31-c.org

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS –31-E

<u>New Member</u>	<u>CLUB</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>
Terry Crayton	Mt. Pleasant	N. Hudson
Leslie Crayton	Mt. Pleasant	N. Hudson
J. E. McBride	Wadesboro	Re-instated
Jimmy W. Kluttz	Odell	C. Hartsoe
LeeAnn Alvarez	Wallburg	G. Theiler
Brenda Gobble	Rockwell	Transfer
Linda A. Myers	Cleveland	Terry Moore
Raymond A. Hoover	Hasty	Tony Hunt
Kathy Hoover	Hasty	Tony Hunt



NEW STATE LEO CHAIRPERSON

LARRY L. COVINGTON: At the recent NCLF meeting in Salisbury, NC August 8, 2004, was elected to serve the up-coming year as our state Leo Chairperson. Congratulations to Lion Larry, a past president of the Dobson Lions Club, address: PO box 1245, Pilot Mountain, NC 27014 PH#336-374-7630

DECEASED:

Lion Melvin Stamey—Pilot Lions Club
Lion Ralph Austin-----Mt. Pleasant Lions Club
Lion Robert E. Motsinger Jr.—Midway Lions Club

SPECIAL LIONS CLUB DAY-WAKE FOREST FOOTBALL-2004

Wake Forest University and Lions District 31-D invites all NC Lions MD 31 members and their families and friends, all Leo Club members and families to the Wake Forest vs. Florida State University game. Tailgating, food, beverage, and ticket to game all for \$25.00. per person. Game is Oct. 23, 2004, Kickoff at 1:30PM, tailgating starts 2 hrs prior to kick-off. **REGISTRATION FORMS: CONTACT DIST. GOVERNOR FRED**

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE **NC COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND**

LION RON L. HUBBER, PID: Lion Ron is the Chairman , Public Relations Committee for the NC Commission for the Blind. The commission is an advocacy group for the blind and visually impaired citizens of our State. The Commission works very closely with the Division of Services for the Blind (DSS) in addressing issues of concern to the blind and visually impaired.

Lion Ron will be providing more information at future times in order for all Lions Clubs to get a better understanding of what the DSS can do to better serve the people of our state and what you as a Lions member can do to better assist them in their plight.

More information will be forthcoming in the months to come for each Club to share



PRESIDENT'S AND SECRETARIES

I am asking each President and Secretary of every Lions Club in District 31-E to closely monitor all the reports that are necessary to conduct the business of our Lions clubs. As of September 01, 2004 there were seven (7) Clubs which had not yet filed an MMR report for the month of **JULY** with either LCI or the District Governor, in fact several of these are more than one month behind. You may file either with paper or by e-mail, either is accepted. It would be greatly appreciated if you might remit them immediately. I do not intend to embarrass anyone, so I have elected not to list these clubs. If you think you might be one in question, please check with me personally.

Lions Clubs International requires this report to be filed by the 10th of the next month. It is the responsibility of every President (new or old) and every Secretary (new or old) to be assured that all Club records are maintained and filed in proper order and on time.

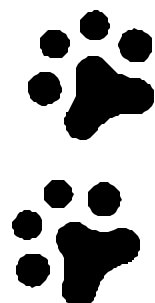
PRESIDENTS: It is very important that you continually relate to your Club members the importance of working to get new members into our Clubs. Our membership is declining faster than we are bringing new one's in. It is absolutely imperative that we stop the falling membership and reverse the trend to a positive, in order to help our Club well-being, our District and also Lions Clubs International. Many of our Clubs are certainly doing their share, but we **all** need to jump on the wagon.

SECRETARIES: Contrary as to what you might perceive of the preceding paragraph, most of you are doing a great job and continue to do so, I do appreciate your work very much. District 31-E has a very good track record, in the past, of all aspects, with the great Past District Governor's we have had.. I am just attempting to keep the good work on-going while it is my watch.

I Encourage : each President and Secretary to stress to each Club the importance of each and every member to have an important part in helping reach the District goals for this year. The District goals are listed in the Directory as are the optional goals the District Governor also set.

DISTRICT DUES: Are now due and payable, each Club should have received their official notice from the Cabinet S/T by now.

Region and Zone Chairpersons: Please check and monitor each Club in your area to ensure each is operating smoothly, so as not to get into an unnecessary problem area before help arrives to assist them.



**THE NORTH CAROLINA LIONS FOUNDATION
HUMANITARIAN WHITE CANE REPORT**

REPORT DATE

8/31/2004

LIONS CLUB	DIST	2004-2005		2003-2004		% OF 02-03	03-04 AMT PER MEM
		MEMS	CONTRIB	MEMS	CONTRIB		
Albemarle	E	50	0.00	51	\$ 3,384.00	0.00%	0.00
Aquadale	E	17	0.00	12	\$ 500.00	0.00%	0.00
Arcadia	E	12	80.00	19	\$ 1,150.00	6.96%	6.67
Benton Heights	E	26	0.00	20	\$ 761.50	0.00%	0.00
Central	E	33	0.00	41	\$ 4,400.00	0.00%	0.00
Churchland	E	16	25.00	18	\$ 1,700.00	1.47%	1.56
Cleveland	E	32	75.00	34	\$ 1,620.00	4.63%	2.34
Concord	E	27	0.00	32	\$ 6,685.00	0.00%	0.00
Davis-Townsend	E	25	0.00	33	\$ 2,345.34	0.00%	0.00
Denton	E	42	1,000.00	41	\$ 3,048.95	32.80%	23.81
Fair Grove	E	33	0.00	30	\$ 3,005.00	0.00%	0.00
Franklin-Ellis	E	14	0.00	15	\$ 2,992.87	0.00%	0.00
Gold Hill	E	18	0.00	17	\$ 2,247.39	0.00%	0.00
Harrisburg	E	45	2,356.00	38	\$ 5,455.00	43.19%	52.36
Hasty	E	14	635.00	16	\$ 1,250.00	50.80%	45.36
Indian Trail	E	19	50.00	24	\$ 2,124.00	2.35%	2.63
Jackson Park	E	15	525.00	13	\$ 2,626.01	19.99%	35.00
Kannapolis	E	18	0.00	22	\$ 1,368.00	0.00%	0.00
Landis	E	12	0.00	13	\$ 912.00	0.00%	0.00
Lexington Downtown	E	37	25.00	32	\$ 4,025.00	0.62%	0.68
Linwood	E	25	0.00	24	\$ 2,450.00	0.00%	0.00
Livingstone	E	18	0.00	28	\$ -		
Locust	E	24	0.00	17	\$ 1,000.00	0.00%	0.00
Marshville	E	8	500.00	10	\$ 608.00	82.24%	62.50
Midland	E	14	0.00	16	\$ 1,564.00	0.00%	0.00
Midway	E	38	200.00	36	\$ 2,730.00	7.33%	5.26
Misenheimer	E	16	0.00	18	\$ 2,660.12	0.00%	0.00
Monroe	E	20	50.00	28	\$ 2,607.50	1.92%	2.50
Mount Pleasant	E	58	2,100.00	65	\$ 10,000.00	21.00%	36.21
Mount Ulla	E	22	1,672.00	21	\$ -		76.00
Norwood	E	26	0.00	29	\$ 2,204.00	0.00%	0.00
Oakboro	E	10	0.00	10	\$ 160.00	0.00%	0.00
Odell	E	15	54.00	18	\$ 3,962.50	1.36%	3.60
Pilot	E	30	110.00	34	\$ 3,218.75	3.42%	3.67
Rockwell	E	18	500.00	17	\$ 3,808.48	13.13%	27.78
Salisbury	E	49	190.00	59	\$ 5,545.00	3.43%	3.88
Southmont	E	12	0.00	14	\$ 1,229.47	0.00%	0.00
Spencer	E	12	0.00	15	\$ 735.00	0.00%	0.00
Stanfield	E	12	0.00	14	\$ 836.00	0.00%	0.00
Thomasville	E	75	2,115.00	82	\$ 12,500.00	16.92%	28.20
Unionville	E	28	2,500.00	27	\$ 4,305.00	58.07%	89.29
Wadesboro	E	3	0.00	8	\$ 1,345.00	0.00%	0.00
Wallburg	E	24	0.00	23	\$ 1,900.00	0.00%	0.00
Waxhaw	E	19	1,002.00	29	\$ 2,051.00	48.85%	52.74
Welcome	E	23	25.00	24	\$ 2,186.00	1.14%	1.09
West Lexington	E	21	0.00	24	\$ 3,630.00	0.00%	0.00
Wingate	E	26	0.00	24	\$ 2,181.00	0.00%	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS	E	0	284.56	0	\$ 5,160.51	5.51%	0.00
TOTAL	E	1,151	\$ 16,073.56	1,235	\$ 132,177.39	12.16%	13.96



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