
HAPPENINGS-DISTRICT 31-E

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FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DESK

Governor Dale Dupree

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This is the time to reflect on the successes of the past year yet also look forward to the coming year and making it rewarding for Lions and those we serve. Each of us knows how our clubs and we performed: our successes and rewards, both great and small. Thank you for all you have done and will continue to do.

We have made improvements in many areas. New ground has been broken in methods of serving. We should keep the memory of those pioneers alive by our serving anyone in need – especially the visually and hearing impaired and their families.

My chosen theme for this year is “Excellence through Caring.” This combines the themes of both LCI President Dr. Ashok Mehta “Passion to Excel” and NCLF President Carlton Metts “We Care”. Throughout the coming year we will be exploring the five (5) key areas of Dr. Mehta’s program: Service, Growth, Leadership, Promotion, and Performance.

COMPASSION

ATTENTIVENESS

RESPONSIVENESS

ENCOURAGEMENT

The State Convention was GREAT!!!

I.D. Gary Brown presented an excellent presentation as keynote speaker at the banquet on Saturday evening. Even more importantly, he was approachable and was interested in the concerns of Lions in District 31. We sincerely appreciate the efforts of our Convention Committee and PID Sid Scruggs in finding such a capable speaker under very short notice.

Thank you, also, to each of you who contributed personal care items for the campers at Camp Dogwood. Executive Director Steve Walker had two large boxes of the items to carry back to Camp. Would you like to make this an annual tradition?

LIONS BEING LIONS!

I want to thank each of you who have agreed to serve on the cabinet by chairing the various committees for this Lion's year. With your help, dedication, and leadership, we will have a rewarding year in District 31-E.

I do still need Zone chairs in Zones 4 and 5; also a Region chair for Region III. If you are willing to serve, please call me or e-mail me.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

July	22-23	DG to Leader Dog School Rochester, MI	
	30	First District Cabinet Mtg. Wingate Baptist Church	3:00pm
		Installation and Awards Banquet Wingate Baptist Church	6:30pm
Aug.	12	Executive Comm. Mtg.	
	13	State Council Meeting Officer Installation Banquet	
	14	NCLF Board Meeting Hilton, Greenville, NC	
	24	White Cane Kickoff Jay's Seafood, Albemarle, NC	6:30pm
Sept.	22-24	USA/Canada Leadership Forum Peoria, IL	
Oct.	1	Deadline to purchase Peace Poster Kit	
	10-14	VIP Fishing Tournament	

I know there is some concern with the cabinet meeting and the installation/awards banquet on the same day. Two reasons for this are the cost of gas and saving you time by consolidating travel times. This combination of events has been successfully accomplished in the past. We look forward to seeing you on the 30th.

VIP FISHING TOURNAMENT

Please check with the VIP's in your area to be sure arrangements are being made for transportation to the Fishing Tournament. If you have no one from your area attending, please consider sponsoring a fisherman by sending \$25.00 to help defray the costs of this event.

THANK YOU!

A special thank you to the Lions who returned my request for their club's history. My three-year term on the N.C. History Committee expired on July first. Our Bylaws require another Lion to take my place.

Inquiries with regard to our new book on N.C. Lionism should be directed to the Chairman of N.C. Lions History Committee, Lion Ted L. James. Thanks for your efforts and input in this venture.
Jerry Bates

PRAYER REMINDERS

The Lions of District 31-E are blessed to be part of a family that cares. Please keep me apprised of concerns that affect your club. Remember, a load that is shared with others becomes much lighter

Lion Jim Caudle, PDG District 31-A
Lion Bill Mason, Wingate Lions Club
Serving in Kiev, Ukraine
Lion Glenn Bunch, PDG District 31-H

What are your clubs special community projects?

What does your club do to help in your community? Share your successes. We can all benefit from hearing how you and your club made a difference. If you will send these stories to me, I will pass them along in the newsletter.

Club Visits Tentative Schedule

My extended club-visit schedule will be published in the next newsletter. Please advise me if you have any special dates that you would like.

August 1	Central Lions Club
2	Harrisburg Lions Club
4	Midway Lions Club
8	Indian Trail Lions Club
11	Wallburg Lions Club
15	Mt. Ulla Lions Club
16	Spencer Lions Club
18	Gold Hill Lions Club
22	Southmont Lions Club
23	Arcadia Lions Club

“Receive every day as a resurrection from death, as a new enjoyment of life...”
William Law from “A Serious Call to a Devout and Holy Life”

District Directories will probably not be available at the cabinet meeting but will be ready at the White Cane Kickoff.

Monthly membership reports are to be mailed by the 3rd of the following month to Lions International; Governor Dale Dupree, PO Box 485, Wingate, NC 28174 or can be e-mailed to leo100@alltel.net; and to your respective Zone Chairs.

Monthly activity reports should be mailed to the Governor; Vice District Governor Morris Van Vleet, PO Box 1406, Rockwell, NC 28138; and your respective Region and Zone Chairs. By your including upcoming activities in these reports I will be able to give you some publicity in the monthly newsletter.

Annual dues will be increasing this year. Please keep this in consideration as you budget for the new year. A copy of your budgets and goals should be sent to the governor by the end of August.

LCI dues billed semi-annually:	\$39.00
District Dues:	16.00
Mid Winter	3.00

What does it mean to you to be a Lion?

***Loving
Individuals
Offering
Needed
Services***

From Lion Sid Scruggs, PID

Cabinet Officers

Vice District Governor	Morris Van Vleet	(704) 279-9358
Cabinet Secretary Treasurer	Harvey Whitley, PDG	(704) 283-5681
Region I Chair	Gordon McAdams	(336) 475-6542
Region II Chair	George Barrier	(704) 436-2328
Region III Chair		
Zone 1 Chair	Andy Darr	(336) 472-1122
Zone 2 Chair	Bobbi Coble	(336) 746-5508
Zone 3 Chair	Stella Stirewalt	(704) 279-8758
Zone 4 Chair		
Zone 5 Chair		
Zone 6 Chair	Laraine Dupree	(704) 233-5593

Committee Chairs

Boys & Girls Home	Kathy Rummage	(704) 279-4518
Budget & Finance	Aldeen Robbins, PFG	(336) 476-6949
Bulletins	Rachel Walker	(704) 289-1752
Campus Clubs	Don Byerly, PDG	(704) 633-0976
Camp Dogwood	Laraine Dupree	(704) 233-5593
Chaplain	C. R. "Butch" Conrad	(336) 746-5046
Clinical Eye Research	Sammy Shoaf	(336) 357-5533
Constitution/By-Laws	Jim Walker, PDG	(704) 289-1752
Diabetes Awareness	Edith Ross	(704) 289-3066
Environment	Andy & Andrew Darr	(336) 472-1122
Extension	Arnold Bivens	(704) 291-7673
Guide Dog/Leader Dog	Nancy Riedel	(704) 784-8468
	Judy Williford	(704) 788-4409
Historian	Dr. Ted James, PDG	(704) 636-1202
Humanitarian/White Cane	Theresa Matthews	(336) 883-1321
Internet	Bennie Pugh, PDG	(336) 882-9407
Jack Stickley Fellow	George Ohm, PDG	(704) 637-2450
LCIF/Sight First	Fred Plummer, PDG	(336) 475-1001
Leadership Development	Ron Staley, PDG	(704) 788-8866
Leo Clubs	Terry Cauble	(704) 982-6655
Liberty Day	Braxton & Sarah Troublefield	(336) 752-2431
Lioness Coordinator	Coy Black, PDG	(704) 279-3982
Lions Quest	Gary Steele	(704) 278-2252
Lions Service for Children	Diane Whitley, PDG	(704) 283-5681
Long Range Planning	Dr. Ted James, PDG	(704) 636-1202
Membership	Helen Plummer	(336) 475-1001
	Diane Whitley, PDG	(704) 283-5681
	Tim Williams	(336) 956-9901
Memorials & Honorariums	William Udovich, PDG	(704) 786-8030
Nominating	Chris Beck	(704) 637-0504
Organ & Tissue Procurement	Ron Staley, PDG	(704) 788-8866
Orientation	Clyde Rummage	(704) 279-4492
Partner-In-Service	Fred Plummer, PDG	(336) 475-1001
Promotions	Bennie Pugh, PDG	(336) 882-9407
Properties	Patricia Carroll	(336) 472-0827
Public Information	Dr. Ted James, PDG	(704) 636-1202
Research/Long Range Planning	Arnold Bivens	(704) 291-7673
Retention	Sydney Eudy	(704) 455-5535
Vision Van	Nancy Rummage	(704) 279-4492
Sight & Hearing Conservation	Morris Van Vleet	(704) 279-9358
State Convention	Clarence Williford, PDG	(704) 788-4409
Tail Twister	Linda Van Vleet	(704) 279-9358
VAVS	Aldeen Robbins, PDG	(336) 476-6949
VIP Fishing Tournament	David Smoot, PDG	(336) 475-8731
Volunteers	Betty Hinson	(704) 283-6364
Women's Leadership Development	David Miller, PDG	(336) 248-4296
Youth Exchange/Youth Outreach		

DISTRICT 31-E
INSTALLATION and AWARDS BANQUET
2005-2006

Date: July 30, 2005
Where: Wingate Baptist Church
Fellowship Hall
109 Elm Street
Wingate, NC
Time: 6:30pm
Cost: \$15.00/person

Please send reservation by July 23, 2005 to Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Harvey Whitley, 712 Heatherwood Drive, Monroe, NC 28112.

Number attending: _____

Lion _____

Lion _____

Guest: _____

Guest: _____

Directions: Highway 74 to Main Street. Turn north. Go 2 blocks to Elm Street. Turn right on Elm. Wingate Baptist Church will be on the left. The Fellowship Hall is located beside the main church building. A small parking lot is on the left beside the Fellowship Hall. There is additional parking on Church Street, around the corner and behind the main building. If needed there is additional on-street parking on both Elm and Church streets. Please enter the fellowship hall from the covered walkway beside the playground.

Are you wondering why the DMV has not sent you your new Lions license plate? It is because we only have 280 who have sent in their applications and money. Our original self-imposed deadline was May 1. I extended it to June 1. It is now late July and we still need commitment from 20 more people. The irony of this is that 370 Lions expressed initial interest.

I will keep the door open as long as it takes to get the 20 more we need. Spread the word - are you proud enough of being a Lion to display it 24/7 on your car for only \$10 per year?

Fill in the attached application, include a check made out to MD-31, and send them to me Harvey Whitley at 712 Heatherwood Dr., Monroe, NC 28112. It's that simple. Need further information; e-mail me at lionswhitley@aol.com.

Harvey Whitley

Club Presidents

We need the Name, Phone #'s and email address of your 1st Vice President to up date the Club Web Sites.

Please email them to Bennie Pugh at bpugh@cprsystems.com asap.

Thanks

Bennie Pugh

If you get this newsletter by USPS and have an email address, please send the email address to Bennie Pugh at bpugh@cprsystems.com.

Newsletters by email is at least a couple of days faster than the USPS and there is other information sent to the email address that does not get sent to you through USPS.

Thanks for all you do.

One more reminder:

***1st District Cabinet Meeting
Saturday, July 30, 2005
3:00 pm
Wingate Baptist Church
Wingate, NC***

***Governor Dale Dupree
PO Box 485
Wingate, NC 28174***

***“Passion to Excel”
“Excellence through Caring”***