

# HAPPENINGS 31-E

February/March 2006

Vol. 8

From the Governor

In the words of Gomer Pyle: "Thank ya! Thank Ya! Thank Ya!"

Thank you for all the good work by the Mid-Winter Committee led by VDG Morris VanVleet. I certainly believe that everyone who attended had a great time. The Friday Night Wing Ding appeared to be a huge success. The Grove Singers, led by Lion Butch Conrad, presented another wonderful evening of song. PCC Diane Whitley shared her version of Lion Bingo with approximately 100 fellow Lions and guests enjoying light refreshments, fellowshiping and winning prizes. Thank you, Lion Liz Steele, for the help you volunteered.

Saturday morning's Tail Twister 's Breakfast and auction provided lots of shenanigans, spoofs, jokes, and, of course, laughter. Jacob Beck seems to be following in Dad Chris Beck's shoes. Over \$3,000 was raised for our Humanitarian White Cane program. Thank you to everyone who provided door prizes/auction items, to everyone who bought tickets, and to everyone who participated in the

auction! Our visiting J. D. Bill Crawford and his wife Lion Julie (from California) were impressed by this fun-filled and successful fundraiser.

The seminars were informative and inspiring. Lion Gary Steele presented a program on Lions Quest. As a former DARE officer, Lion Gary was able to compare and contrast the two programs. Lion Chris Beck shared a very personal view of Organ-Tissue Procurement and introduced us to his brother, the recipient of one of Chris's kidneys. Lion Gary and Lion Chris are available to present these programs to your clubs.

J.D. Bill Crawford shared information about Lions Clubs International, about some proposed changes in constitutions, and about activities of Lions around the world.

Once again, I cannot tell you how much I appreciate all that attended our Mid-Winter Convention and how much I enjoyed being with the great Lions of District 31-E.

Lion Dale Dupree



Presidential Certificates  
Presented to Deserving  
Lions

- Roger Fudy - Harrisburg Lions Club. Unselfishly gives his one week of vacation each year to travel with VIPS from Cabarrus and Union Counties for the VIP Fishing Tournament.
- Theresa Matthews - Denton Lions Club. Travels throughout our District spreading her enthusiasm and doing whatever job is at hand.
- Betty Hayes - Welcome Lions Club. Shares her enthusiasm and knowledge to serve not only the youth and VIP's in her area, but also her fellow Lions throughout the District.
- Terry Cauble - Mt. Pleasant Lions Club. Works passionately with the Leo Clubs sponsored by the Mt. Pleasant Lions Clubs as well as serving for several years as the Leo Clubs District Chair.
- Chris Beck - Franklin/Ellis Lions Club. An unselfish organ donor spreading his story to other groups, emphasizing the need to expand this program.
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Want to learn where your  
Humanitarian White Cane  
Dollars go? The perfect opportunity arises April 7 & 8. Friday, April 7 is the day that program representatives will make their requests for assistance. We are given the opportunity to hear the requests as well as these programs' justifications for making these requests. Lions in attendance are given the task of prioritizing the causes and the amounts that the Lions think should be considered by the budget committee. This is possibly one of the most educational activities in which NC Lions can participate!!

**Volunteer Week**

Volunteer week at Camp Dogwood is fast approaching! The tasks to be done are numerous. Remember! Prior experience or training is NOT Required! Merely a willing heart and a willing body! There are all degrees of activity! Come! Help! Make a Difference!

April 10 - 14, 2006



## New Officer Elections

March is the time to begin the process of selecting new officers for the coming Lion's year.

Nominating committees should be working now to invite club members to serve in exciting new ways.

Club members, it's your responsibility to let the nominating committee know that you would like the challenge to serve with **PASSION!!!!**

PA 101's should be forwarded to the District Governor, Cabinet Secretary, or Vice-District Governor by April 30.

This information is crucial for the Vice-District Governor to accurately complete his directory for the coming Lions year. YOUR cooperation is needed and appreciated.

## Election Results

Sidney Eudy - Harrisburg Lions Club  
VDG 2006-2007

## *BMW 325*

*Will be given away at State Convention  
April 23, 2006  
\$100/ticket*

# *mark your calendar*

*. Next Cabinet Meeting*

*Wednesday,  
March 29, 2006*

*6:30pm*

*(Meeting starts at 7:15pm)*

*Troutman's BarBQue  
Highway 601 South  
Concord, NC*

*Cost \$8.50*

*Buffet with choice of BBQ/Grilled  
Chicken, several vegetables,  
desserts and beverages*

*Cab. Sec. Harvey Whitley will  
collect meal cost at the  
meeting*



*Humanitarian White  
Cane Drive*

*Our current gifts:*

*\$58,922.97*

*"04-"05 Contribution at this  
time: \$70,817.84*

*Camp Dogwood  
Ticket Sales*

*Current Sales:*

*\$10,196.00*

*Compare to \$9,095 in '04-'05  
Congratulations!!!*

*Keep up the good work.*

*We still have 2 ½ months to  
sell these tickets.*

*Guess who's Coming to  
Dinner!*

*1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Jimmy Ross  
Lions Club  
International*

*V.P. Jimmy Ross, USA,  
Texas, will be our guest at  
the North Carolina Lions  
State Convention,  
April 21 – 23, 2006  
Greenville Hilton  
Greenville, NC*

*Help give V.P. Ross a very  
warm North Carolina  
welcome!*

*Registration forms are  
available on line at the  
[www.NCLF.org](http://www.NCLF.org) site*



**District 31E Cabinet Meeting  
Salisbury, NC  
January 28, 2006**

The third District 31E cabinet meeting for 2005-2006 was called to order by District Governor Dale Dupree at 1:35 pm.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by VDG Morris Van Vleet

The invocation was delivered by PDG Clarence Williford

DG Dupree welcomed everyone to the meeting and to the Mid-Winter Convention. He recognized all Past District Governors, Melvin Jones Fellows, Jack Stickley Fellows, Wollard Partners-in-Service, and Past NCLF Presidents.

DG Dupree called on NCLF President Carlton Metts for a report on the Foundation. President Metts made comments about the successful 2005 camping season at Camp Dogwood. He was complimentary of the Counselors selected and indicated that five of them had made application to return. President Metts spoke of plans to begin another new dormitory. He also commented that we still owe about \$90,000 on the new Lineberger dorm. He closed by inviting all to attend the budget hearings in April.

DG Dupree recognized International Director Bill Crawford for remarks.

DG Dupree recognized Past International Director Sid Scruggs III for a special presentation. Lion Chris Beck, Franklin-Ellis Lions Club, was awarded an International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation for his work as an ambassador for organ donation.

Tail Twister Clarence Williford announced that \$3,016 had been raised for White Cane by the sale of raffle tickets, auction, and fines.

DG Dupree appointed PDG George Ohm as parliamentarian.

Minutes for the second cabinet meeting were approved as published.

The income/expense statement as of January 19, 2006 was presented by CST Whitley. Report approved.

A sign-up sheet was circulated for roll call purposes. In attendance were the District Governor, Vice District Governor, Cabinet Secretary Treasurer, 18 Presidents or Vice Presidents, 18 Secretaries and/or Treasurers, and 37 other Lions.

IPDG Fred Plummer announced that VDG Morris Van Vleet had earlier been unanimously selected as a candidate for appointment to the office of District Governor, 2006-2007.

PDG Bill Udovich, District Nominating Chair, was called on to present the nominating report for Vice District Governor, 2006-2007. Harrisburg Lions Club President Frank Graham presented a resolution nominating Lion Sydney Eudy for Vice District Governor, 2006-2007. The nomination was seconded by PDG Clarence Williford. Secret Ballots were distributed to all 56 certified delegates. Lion Sydney was unanimously elected.

DG Dupree then called for nominations for 1-year NCLF Director. PDG George Ohm nominated VDG Elect Sydney Eudy. PDG Clarence Williford seconded. Since there were no other nominations, Lion Sydney was unanimously elected.

DG Dupree called for nominations for 2-year NCLF Director. PDG Jim Walker nominated Lion Gordon McAdams. Lion Andy Darr seconded. Since there were no further nominations, Lion Gordon was elected unanimously.

A written report from Region I Chair Gordon McAdams was received. (On file)

PDG Ron Staley, District Leadership Chair, announced that training dates for new 2006-2007 club officers will be published soon.

Lion Terry Cauble, District Leo Chair submitted a written report. (On file)

Lion Sarah Troublefield, District Liberty Day Chair, reported that Liberty Day will be May 4, 2006, in Halifax, NC.

Lion Gary Steele, District Lions Quest Chair, submitted a written report. (On file)

PDG Diane Whitley, District Membership and District Lions Services for Children Chair, submitted written reports for each committee. (On file)

PCC Ted James, District Long Range Planning Chair, asked for more input regarding long range plans. PCC Ted also serves as State Historian Chair and announced plans are well underway to complete the next NC Lions history book covering years 1988-2006. He still needs more information from PDG's by March 25.

PDG David Miller, District Youth Exchange Chair, reported on opportunities for the Vision Van regarding the new state law requiring eye exams for pre-kindergarten.

Lion Laraine Dupree, District Camp Dogwood Chair, spoke about volunteer week in April. She also stressed the need to sell more Dogwood tickets. (Written report on file).

Lion Theresa Matthews, District White Cane chair, reported on the status of District and State White Cane totals.

Lion Tim Williams, District Memorials/Honorariums Chair, yielded his time to State Chair, PDG Jerry Austin who spoke of the +20 challenge.

Lion Chris Beck, District Organ and Tissue chair, thanked all for attending his seminar. He also expressed appreciation for the recognition he had earlier received.

Old Business: None

New Business:

PCC Harvey Whitley, Campaign Sightfirst II Sector Coordinator, reported on the progress of the campaign. He emphasized the impact Sightfirst had had on worldwide blindness and how Sightfirst II will continue and expand that work.

The meeting was adjourned by DG Dupree at 2:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Harvey F. Whitley, PCC  
Cabinet Secretary/ Treasurer  
District 31E 2005-2006

# REGISTRATION FORM

2006 North Carolina Lions State Convention

April 21-23, 2006

Hilton, Greenville, NC

Early Registration Dead Line, April 5, 2006

Friday April 21, 2006

10:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

2006 NC Lions State Convention Golf Tournament

Friday Fun Night (Western)

Saturday April 22, 2006

7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

12:00 a.m. – 1:30 a.m.

Tail Twisters/Key Members Breakfast & Auction

Tour of PCMH University Health Systems

Past District Governors Luncheon

7:00 p.m. 9:30 p.m.

District Governors' Banquet (Coat & Tie)

| Name Lion/Guest  | Club                       | District                | <u>MJF – JSF – WLW/PID – PDG – DG – VDG</u><br>Circle Honors |           |            |
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### Ticket Order Summary

Meals:

Friday Fun Night

Tail Twisters Breakfast

PDG Lunch

DG Banquet

Tour

\_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$15.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$23.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No Charge

Tours:

10:00 a.m.

PCMH University

Health Systems

NOTE: **ADD \$2.00 per meal for Registration submitted after April 5, 2006**

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*(Prices include all taxes and gratuities)*

Make checks payable to: **NORTH CAROLINA LIONS 2006 STATE CONVENTION**

Mail form and checks to: **LION ROBERT L. HAM, CONVENTION CHAIRMAN**

**NC LIONS STATE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN**

**PO BOX 83, SNOW HILL, NC 27850**

Any questions or concerns please contact:

**Lion David C. Boyd Jr.**

**State Convention Chair**

**PO Box 83, Simpson, NC 27879**

Home: **252-758-2883** Cell: **252-917-1136**

### Hotel Reservations:

**Hilton Greenville**

**207 S.W. Greenville Blvd.**

**Greenville, NC 27834**

Phone: **252-355-5000** Fax: **252-355-5099**

**City Hotel & Bistro**

**203 S.W. Greenville Blvd.**

**Greenville, NC 27834**

Phone **252-355-8300** Fax **252-355-3062**

**NOTE: Room Cutoff March 20, 2006 / \$79.99 + tax**

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