



We Serve

DISTRICT 31 -E



We Serve

LIONS NEWS

VOLUME #8

FEBRUARY 2007

DISTRICT GOVERNOR
LION MORRIS VAN VLEET
704-279-9358
gpoohbar@alltel.net

CABINET SECRETARY/TREASURER
LION NANCY RUMMAGE
704-279-4492
crummage@carolina.rr.com

VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR
LION SYDNEY EUDY
704-455-5535
speudy@ctc.net

THE GOVERNOR'S COMMENTS

WOW!!! We finally did it. It took two years but we now have a new club going in China Grove. I would like to take this opportunity to thank PID Lion Sid Scruggs for taking the time from his busy schedule to help with the installation of the members. These are some of the most eager Lions I have had the pleasure to work with. For now, they will be known as the "China Grove Branch of the Rockwell Lions Club". They are all going out to sponsor new members to make it a full club. GOOD LUCK GUYS.

We have had two people down with ailments. First we have Dr. Jerry Bates who had back surgery. It was a very delicate operation but you can't keep a good man down, we were happy to see him at the 31E Mid-Winter Convention. Next we have Sallie Staley. We first heard that she fell and broke her leg, coming down the stairs. At the District G, H & J Convention, Lion Ron told us she fell when he was chasing her around the house. I didn't ask any more questions but I hope she is back on her feet soon. And Ron, leave her alone.

The Mid Winter is over now and quite a show it was. I would like to thank ID Lion Bill Hansen for sharing the latest information from Lions International and giving a fine presentation for the District. Also, I would like to thank of the District Governors for taking time off from their busy schedules to attend our convention. It was a pleasure seeing all of them and their wives, here. These are the kind of people you just enjoy being around. It was my pleasure to present several awards to very deserving Lions. Most are the type of people that are in the back ground and not up front to get the recognition. Well, this time it was their turn. The Lexington Downtown Lions Club presented a Life Time Memberships to I.D. Lion Bill Hansen and his wife, Carole. Congratulations to all who were recognized. It isn't over yet, there will be more Lions recognized at the Awards Banquet.

We need the names of any deceased Lions from your club. We are not getting all the MMRs as we should and I don't want to omit a deceased Lion's name from the list. This list is read at the NC State Convention at the "CEREMONY OF REMEMBERANCE".

I would like to thank LION MARTHA BUTLER, Council Chairperson, for her help at the Mid-Winter Convention. District 31E initiated the "Hammer Pin" and the Council of Governors voted to expand the project and it looks like the project has had a great success. Lion Martha is a guiding light for the Governors and when it comes to getting things done, she is the person to do it. She is a GREAT FRIEND. Thanks, Martha.

The North Carolina State Convention will be May 31st through June 3rd. I hope you all can come and enjoy yourselves. Just don't forget the important things. CAMPAIGN SIGHT FIRST II still needs the funds to make it work. Also White Cane is running behind and we need it for the matching funds for the programs that are in place. Please do not neglect White Cane for Sight First. Have an extra fund raiser for Sight First. We can do it if we pull together.

If any Lion has sponsored a new Lion this year and was not mentioned at the Mid-Winter, please bring it to my attention and I will take care of it.

I plan to complete the club visits by the last of March, so it will clear the way for starting more branch clubs. We have the hopes of starting two to three more before the year is over. Can I do this myself? The answer is "No" and it was proven with the branch we started. It took a lot of help and encouragement from Lion Linda and the rest of the Rockwell Lions. Just remember, if you plan to start a branch club, it is at least a two year commitment to get them up and going on their own. All in all, it's well worth it.

Lion Billy Southern collapsed during the convention and was admitted to Rowan Regional Hospital. Lion Billy's problem was a lack of oxygen in his blood, he has been released from the hospital and will probably be using oxygen full time now. Lion John O'Malley has been released from Presbyterian Hospital, is feeling fine and recovering from bleeding in his stomach.

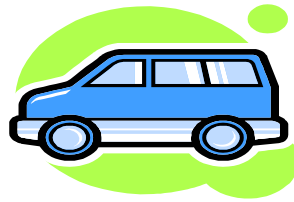
I would like to take this opportunity to THANK Lion Diane Whitley and all of the Lions who worked so hard to make this Mid-Winter Convention happen. When you come to the convention, you see the fun we all have but you don't see what happens behind the scenes. It takes a lot of hard work to make it happen. On behalf of Lion Sydney, we would like to thank you for all the hard work.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

February	1	Pay International Dues
	8	Mount Pleasant White Cane Auction
	9	NCLF Executive Committee Meeting and Council of Governor's Caucus
	10	State Council of Governor's Meeting
	11	NCLF Board Meeting, Asheville
Mar.30-Apr.1		NC State Leo Convention, Camp Dogwood
May 31-June 3		NC Lions State Convention, Asheville (Registration form enclosed)

NEW MEMBERS

<u>LION</u>	<u>CLUB</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>
1. Paul Boyd	China Grove Branch, Rockwell	Leebert Ketner
2. Phyllis Spry	China Grove Branch, Rockwell	Linda VanVleet
3. Pamela Cobb	China Grove Branch, Rockwell	Morris VanVleet
4. Ronald Fisher	China Grove Branch, Rockwell	Morris VanVleet
5. Alisha Hodge	China Grove Branch, Rockwell	Morris VanVleet
6. Teresa Poole	China Grove Branch, Rockwell	Morris VanVleet
7. Marsha Black	Welcome	Vaughn Black
8. Vaughn Black	Welcome	transfer
9. James V. Black	Welcome	transfer
10. Robert Byers	Jackson Park	Clarence Williford
11. Mary Ellen Byers	Jackson Park	Clarence Williford
12. Brian Lineburger	Mt. Pleasant	Noble Wickliff
13. Paul M. Guyette	Mt. Pleasant	Noble Wickliff
14. Max E Reece	Mt. Pleasant	Bobo Allmon



ON THE ROAD WITH THE GOVERNOR

February

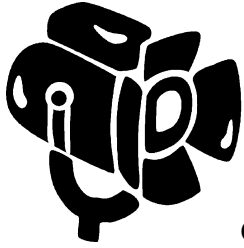
6	Concord Lions Club
9	NCLF Council of Governor's Caucus
10	State Council of Governors Meeting
11	NCLF Board Meeting
20	Benton Heights Lions Club
22	Linwood Lions Club
26	Joint Meeting Wingate/Unionville Lions Clubs

WILLIAM L. WOOLARD - PARTNERS-IN-SERVICE AWARDS

Governor Morris VanVleet present William L. Woolard, Partners-in-Service Awards to Lions Judy Ludwig, Betty Hayes, Sarah Troublefield, Stella Stirewalt, Georgianne Jenkins and Nancy Rummage at the District 31E Mid-Winter Convention. Congratulations!!!

NORTH CAROLINA LIONS STATE CONVENTION

The State Convention which will be held at the Asheville Renaissance Hotel May 31st through June 3rd. There will be something for everyone and space is going fast. Register immediately if you haven't already done so. Registration form is included in this Newsletter.



GOVERNOR'S SPOTLIGHT

This month we are going one step farther than we have in the past. We are sending several Lions to the spotlight at one time. These Lions are the sponsors of new members for this Lions year. It doesn't come easy and I encourage you not to give up, if you have heard the word "NO" before. This shows why the MMR is so important, it shows the names of all the new members and sponsors along with the names of all the Lions who have passed during the year. Just to get back on track, if you have a member who has sponsored a new Lion, thank them for all the good work and the ability to stick with it till the job was done.

- | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Judy Lugwig | 18. Harry Lassiter |
| 2. Steven Edwards | 19. Judy Maxwell |
| 3. Imogene Garrett | 20. Judy Pearson |
| 4. B. A Smith | 21. Cleo Zenke |
| 5. Hoyle Little | 22. Jerry Layton |
| 6. Doris Rushing | 23. Neil S. Clark |
| 7. Arlie Rushing | 24. Emmitt Marsh |
| 8. Clyde H. Harkey | 25. Vaughn Black |
| 9. Don Connor | 26. Donna Mikles |
| 10. Chuck Romine | 27. John D. Suggs |
| 11. Charles Gill | 28. Linda VanVleet |
| 12. J. Clarence Williford | 29. Leebert Ketner |
| 13. Patricia Carroll | 30. Donald Mottison |
| 14. Bobby James | 31. Donnell Moody |
| 15. Morris VanVleet | 32. David Lambeth |
| 16. Harold Trogdon | 33. Noble Wickliff |
| 17. S. Aldeen Robbins PDG, | 34. Bobo Allmon |



MID-WINTER FUN NIGHT

You had to be there to really appreciate what fun everyone had at Fun Night. Good food, great music and room full of Lions dancing, talking laughing, taking pictures and having fun. Music sets the mood and this music took us back to the '50s. Two Elvis's (Lions Chris Beck & Gordon McAdams) entertained us and there were many other really good costumes. Be sure to include the Mid-Winter Convention in your plans for next January.

NOTES

Lion Theresa Matthews will run for District 31E Vice District Governor for the year 2008-2009.

"Guiding Lion" membership training sessions, sponsored by Lions Clubs International, will be available. If interested, Contact:
Governor Lion Morrie VanVleet at 704-279-9358 - gpoohbar@windstream.net
Lion Nancy Rummage CS/T 704-279-4492 - crummage@carolina.rr.com

Keep Lions Donna and Bill Udovich PDG in your thoughts and prayers. Donna was hospitalized after suffering a stroke, has had successful emergency surgery to repair an aneurism and is currently in Acute Coronary Care at Northeast Regional Hospital.

Congratulation, to Lions Linda VanVleet, Sydney Eudy and Gordon McAdams, who received International President's Certificate of Appreciation at the Mid Winter-Convention.

Lion Theresa Munyon received Camp Dogwood pins for Raffle Tickets sales: a pin for selling 25 BOOKS, a second pin for selling 50 BOOKS and a third for selling over 75 BOOKS. Lion Theresa even sold a book to International Director Lion Bill Hansen at the Mid-Winter Convention. *SELL THOSE CAMP DOGWOOD RAFFLE TICKETS!!!*

The sale of raffle tickets at the Tail Twister Breakfast brought in \$486.00 for White Cane. The Tail Twister Breakfast auction, under the direction of fast talking Lion Joe Silvers, brought in \$3,224.00 for White Cane. Two framed Timberlake prints were donated through the Pilot Lions

Thanks to Lions Diane and Harvey Whitley, NC Lions License Plates have been approved. License plates may be available as early as March. Special thanks to Diane, Harvey said she did most of the work.

Concord Lions will celebrate their 75th Anniversary this year.
Odell Lions' 50th Anniversary was Jan. 9th
Jackson Park Lions' 50th Anniversary celebration will be Feb. 26th.

Southeastern Lions Leadership Institute has scheduled training from March 29 through April 1st at Blue Springs Baptist Conference Center, Marianna, Florida. Application due by March 16th. Cost \$110.00, which includes lodging, meals and supplies. Contact Lion Nancy Rummage CS/T for Nomination and Application Forms 704-279-4492 or crummage@carolina.rr.com

Charlotte Checkers, several local companies and individuals are raising money for the "Ross Minor Medical Fund". Ross, 8, and his brother Ryan, 10, were both shot by their father who then turned the gun on himself. Ryan died from the gun shot, while Ross survived but lost 100% of his vision. See the enclosed to see how you can help.

POINTS CONTEST TOTALS

DECEMBER 2007

Group 1 (1 - 15 members)

Churchland	88,964
Franklin Ellis	57,320
Hasty	24,320
Landis	17,990
Oakboro	4,390
Stanfield	68,980

Group 2 (16-25 members)

Benton Heights	14,165
Cleveland	76,935
Concord	140,920
Davis Townsend	37,140
Gold Hill	129,640
Indian Trail	145,977
Locust	77,890
Monroe	45,394
Norwood	130,283
Odell	49,050
Rockwell	171,170
Waxhaw	57,640
Welcome	128,918

Group 3 (26-40 members)

Fair Grove	152,760
Harrisburg	70,500
Lexington Downtown	88,605
Midway	24,220

Group 4 (40 plus members)

Albemarle	51,480
Denton	114,770
Mount Pleasant	152,464
Salisbury	364,545
Thomasville	108,700

Note - Some records are incomplete, send missing reports to Lion Nancy Rummage CS/T (see letterhead)

**CHARLOTTE CHECKERS, LOCAL BUSINESSES AND
INDIVIDUALS PARTNER
TO RAISE MONEY FOR ROSS MINOR MEDICAL FUND**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The Charlotte Checkers announced today that they will be partnering with local companies and individuals to raise money for the Ross Minor Medical Fund.

This past June, Ross, 8, and his brother Ryan, 10, were both shot by their father who then turned the gun on himself. Ryan died from the gun shot while Ross survived, but lost 100% of his vision.

The Charlotte Checkers began their relationship with the Minor family by hosting a guest bartending event at Encore Bar and Bistro in Blakeney in November. With players and CheckMates in attendance, over \$3,200 was raised for the Ross Minor Medical Fund. The fundraising effort continues at the game on **Saturday, Feb. 10 when the Checkers take on the Texas Wildcatters at 7:30 pm.**

Companies partnering with the Checkers in this fundraising campaign are as follows:

BJ Lathan
Beau Markolf Family
Creative Sewing and Vacuums in Stonecrest
Nothing But Noodles in Stonecrest
Aaron's Corporate Furnishings
Romano's Macaroni Grill in the Promenade on Providence
Harris Teeter in Stonecrest
Skidmore and Associates Agency
Macaroni Grill
Southtown Riders
Expanded Mortgage Credit
On the Border
Greater Carolina Group
Barbizon Modeling and Acting Agency

The Checkers will donate half of the proceeds of all tickets sold through the Ross Minor fundraising code. To purchase individual fundraiser tickets, or to become a sponsor of the event, contact Marianne Carow at 704-444-1887 or mcarow@gocheckers.com.

Tickets can also be purchased at the Nothing But Noodles location in Stonecrest.

The Checkers are on the road until Friday, Feb. 2. The Checkers are in action next at 7:05 pm on Friday at Reading. You can watch the game on B2 Networks or listen to the broadcast on Teamline. Visit www.gocheckers.com for more information. Also, please visit www.CharlotteBobcatsArena.com to purchase and print your single-game tickets.

###

**THE NORTH CAROLINA LIONS FOUNDATION, INC.
HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS**

REPORT DATE			1/30/2007			
			WHITE CANE	EYE RESEARCH	OTHER	TOTAL
LIONS CLUB	DIST	MEMS	MEM/HONOR	MEM/HONORS	MEM/HONORS	MEM/HONOR
Albemarle	E	44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Aquadale	E	16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Arcadia	E	13	228.00	0.00	0.00	228.00
Benton Heights	E	23	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Central	E	31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Churchland	E	13	130.00	0.00	0.00	130.00
Cleveland	E	23	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Concord	E	24	95.00	0.00	0.00	95.00
Davis-Townsend	E	23	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00
Denton	E	42	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Fair Grove	E	27	85.00	0.00	0.00	85.00
Franklin-Ellis	E	12	25.00	0.00	0.00	25.00
Gold Hill	E	16	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Harrisburg	E	32	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Hasty	E	14	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Indian Trail	E	18	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
Jackson Park	E	11	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Landis	E	12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lexington Downtown	E	34	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Linwood	E	24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Locust	E	18	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Marshville	E	9	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Midway	E	35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Monroe	E	18	25.00	0.00	0.00	25.00
Mount Pleasant	E	54	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Mount Ulla	E	16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Norwood	E	18	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Oakboro	E	10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Odell	E	17	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
Pilot	E	43	370.00	0.00	0.00	370.00
Rockwell	E	19	410.00	0.00	0.00	410.00
Salisbury	E	49	855.00	0.00	0.00	855.00
Southmont	E	20	25.00	0.00	0.00	25.00
Spencer	E	10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stanfield	E	13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Thomasville	E	75	1,400.00	0.00	0.00	1,400.00
Unionville	E	29	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Wadesboro	E	4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wallburg	E	23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Waxhaw	E	17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Welcome	E	23	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
West Lexington	E	20	280.00	0.00	0.00	280.00
Wingate	E	23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS	E	0	25.00	0.00	0.00	25.00
TOTAL	E	1,015	7,053.00	0.00	0.00	7,053.00

REGISTRATION FORM
2007 NORTH CAROLINA LIONS STATE CONVENTION
MAY 31-JUNE 1-3, 2007
RENAISSANCE HOTEL, ASHEVILLE, NC
REGISTRATION DEAD LINE, MAY 7, 2007

Friday June 1, 2007

10:00 a.m. 2007 NC Lions State Convention Golf Tournament **\$45.00**
 6:30 p.m. Friday Fun Night (Patriotic Theme) Supported by Bi-Lo Markets

Saturday June 2, 2007

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Tail Twisters/Key Members Breakfast & Auction Supported by Ingles Markets
 10:00 a.m. Biltmore House Tour
 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Past District Governors' Luncheon (Not included in meal package)
 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 pm District Governors' Banquet (Coat & Tie)

Name Lion/Guest	Club	District	<u>MJF - JSF - WLWPIS - PDG - DG - VDG</u>
Circle Function: Friday Fun Night	Tail Twisters Breakfast	Tour PDG Luncheon	DG Banquet
			Circle Honors

Name Lion/Guest	Club	District	<u>MJF - JSF - WLWPIS - PDG - DG - VDG</u>
Circle Function: Friday Fun Night	Tail Twisters Breakfast	Tour PDG Luncheon	DG Banquet
			Circle Honors

Cost of Meal Package \$25.00 each person. **MUST SIGN UP FOR MEALS**

<u>Meals:</u>	<u>Attending</u>	
Friday Fun Night	_____	Included in meal package
Tail Twisters Breakfast	_____	Included in meal package
DG Banquet	_____	Included in meal package
Meal Package	_____	Meal Package @ \$25.00 ea \$ _____
PDG Luncheon	_____	Tickets @ \$15.00 each = \$ _____
Tour of Biltmore House	_____	Tickets @ \$36.00 each = \$ _____
Golf Tournament	_____	Golfer @ \$45.00 each = \$ _____

Additional Tours Available

Biltmore Village
 Grove Arcade
 Thomas Wolfe Home
 Harrah's Club (Cherokee NC)

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to: North Carolina Lions 2007 State Convention

Mail Form and Checks to: Lion Marti Hill, Registration Chairperson
 NC Lions State Convention
 PO Box 23
 Skyland, NC 28776

Hotel Reservations:

Asheville Renaissance Hotel
 One Thomas Wolfe Plaza
 Asheville, NC 28801

Phone: 1-800-468-3571 Fax: 828-254-1374

NOTE: Room Cutoff April 29, 2007 / \$79.00 + tax per day

Questions or Concerns Please Contact:

Lion Joe Silvers, PDG
 State Convention Chairperson
 95 Highland Center Blvd.
 Asheville, NC 28806

1-800-232-1378 Cell: 828-230-7793

District 31E
Third Cabinet Meeting
Mid-Winter Convention
Holiday Inn, Salisbury, NC

January 27, 2007

Lion Dale Dupree IPDG called the meeting to order and initiated selection of District Governor for the lion's year 2007/2008. Lion Clarence Williford PDG nominated and introduced candidate Lion Sydney Eudy. Lion Sydney addressed the assemblage and praised the leadership of North Carolina Lions District 31E. Lion Harvey Whitley PCC seconded the nomination. NCLF Board of Directors voted.

Chaplain Lion Clarence Williford PDG gave the invocation. Lion Willie Welborn PDG lead the song, "America, the Beautiful" and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

International Director Lion Bill Hansen took questions from the floor regarding International Presidents and voting regulations.

Lion Nancy Rummage CS/T recognized Past District Governors, Melvin Jones and Jack Stickley Fellows, William L. Woolard Partners-in-Service and Past NCLF Presidents. Governor Lion Morris VanVleet introduced Lion Paul Boyd, Charter Member of the China Grove Club.

NCLF President Lion Ron Staley PDG relayed a message from Lion Bill Udovich PDG, who has a twenty year record of attendance at the Mid-Winter and misses being here. At the present NCLF is meeting all of the needs that come to them but an increase in club contributions is needed.

Governor Lion Morris reported on Lion Billy Southern being admitted to Rowan Regional Hospital during the convention and will keep us updated.

Lion Sid Scruggs PID was asked if he had any comments and reported that he was "speechless".

Lion Allan Thompson PDG was appointed Parliamentarian.

Tail Twister Lion Chris Beck reported \$486.00 collected at the Tail Twister's Breakfast and \$3,221.00 collected at the auction for White Cane. Special thanks to Lion Joe Silvers who ran the auction.

Lion Bennie Pugh PDG made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Lion Harvey Whitley PCC and approved. Lion Gary Steele made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as written, seconded by Lion Pat Carroll and approved.

Lion Harvey Whitley PCC made a motion to accept attendance sign up sheets instead of a roll call, seconded by Lion George Ohm PDG. The motion was approved.

Lion Dale Dupree IPDG reported the 100% approval for Lion Sydney Eudy of the Harrisburg Lions Club to be recommended to District Governor for 2007-2008. Lion Sydney addressed the group.

Lion Laraine Dupree made the motion to elect the Vice District Governor at the next cabinet meeting. The motion was seconded by Lion Butch Conrad and approved.

REGION AND ZONE REPORTS:

Zone 1 Chairperson Lion Glenda Gandy - clubs are sending in reports on time.

Region 2 Chairperson Lion George Barrier – clubs have been busy with VIP Christmas parties, parades, volunteer services and financial support to community functions. All clubs are working hard to achieve the goals of their respective clubs, District, State and our International organization. Much effort is being placed on Membership and Retention, support of Camp Dogwood and Campaign Sight First II.

Zone 3 Chairperson Lion Stella Stirewalt – has a new China Grove Branch of the Rockwell Lions Club. Six members installed 1/6/07, received orientation under direction of Lion Diane Whitley PCC. Lion Sid Scruggs PID addresses the new branch club, District Governor Lion Morris Van Vleet was installing officer. Lions Linda Van Vleet and Stella Stirewalt are liaisons. Thanks to Lions of Zone for VIP Christmas party support and participation. Next Zone meeting – March 12th at Ryan's, Salisbury.

Zone 4 Chairperson Lion Judy Williford – Odell, Jackson Park and Franklin-Ellis Lions Clubs celebrating 50th anniversaries.

Zone 6 Chairperson Lion Rachel Walker – Seven of eight clubs meeting regularly and providing services to their communities and conducting fundraisers. Union-Anson County Council VIP Christmas Party at Monroe County Club on December 5th, approx. 125 Lions, VIPs and guest attended. Monroe, Unionville and Waxhaw delivered food baskets to VIPs and needy families. Waxhaw Lions partnering with a Lions Club in Togo, West Africa sent a case of reading glasses. Waxhaw Lions sold over 200 Christmas trees. Monroe sponsored a blood drive in January. Leo Chairperson Lion Terry Cauble, Mt. Pleasant Lions Club, inducted new members and installed officers for the Piedmont Leo Club at Unionville in January. Waxhaw hosted the District Governor in January. Benton Heights, Unionville and Wingate will host the Governor in February, Unionville and Wingate's meeting will be joint. Unionville is raising money for Campaign Sight First II with an auction, the drawing will be at the Mid Winter Convention. The third Zone meeting will be January 30th.

Constitution and By-Laws Chairperson Lion Allan Thompson PDG – recommended that District 31E adopt International By-Laws except for voting privileges, change law to include any Lion, in good standing, attending cabinet meeting - Vote at next Cabinet Meeting.

Leo Chairperson Lion Terry Cauble – Thirty Leo's were installed at the Unionville Lions Club. Lion Terry requested financial assistance for travel to the State Leo Convention. Lion Benny Pugh PDG made a motion to allow up to \$200.00 assistance for each Leo Club in the District, seconded by Lion Butch Conrad. The motion was approved.

Liberty Day Chairperson Lion Sarah Troublefield – March 16th is Liberty Day.

Membership Chairperson Lion Diane Whitley PCC – has MERL team booklets.

State Convention, Lion Joe Silvers reports 100 spaces left at State Convention

Budget & Finance Chairperson Lion Jim Walker PDG – NCLF meeting April 13th

Camp Dogwood Chairperson Lion Theresa Matthews – Raffle drawing at Governor's Banquet tonight.

Clinical Eye Research Chairperson Lion Harvey Whitley PCC – Wake Forest project is close to completion. NC Lions License plates have been approved and may be available in March.

White Cane Chairperson Lion Gordon McAdams – Today's earning will help.

Memorials and Honorariums Chairperson Lion Clarence Williford – Memorials and honorariums are part of White Cane

Properties Chairperson Lion Bennie Pugh – has pictures of the burning of the Shaw Building at Camp Dogwood.

Volunteers Chairperson Lion David Smoot PDG – April 16th is volunteer week, volunteer for a day or two or the whole week.

Bulletins Chairperson Lion Rachel Walker – Bulletins are being submitted by the following clubs: Albemarle, Churchland, Concord, Denton, Franklin-Ellis, Gold Hill, Indian Trail, Lexington Downtown, Mt. Pleasant, Rockwell, Thomasville and Waxhaw.

Guide Dog – International Director Lion Bill Hansen was asked to speak on Leader Dog. Spoke of “Assistance Dogs International” of which seven organizations are members and of GPS trackers.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lion Willie Welborn PDG was recognized for his fifty seven years as a Lion.

NEW BUSINESS:

State Council of Governors Council Chairperson Lion Martha Butler PDG offered to have a team come to the district for a workshop on getting new members and forming new clubs. State Extension Committee Chairperson Lion Houston Henderson PDG explained in further detail and volunteers who are interested in being “guiding lions” with help for International training team were asked to sign up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jan. 30th - Wingate Lions Club's 60th Anniversary

Feb. 26th – Jackson Park Lions Club celebrates 50th Anniversary-Chartered 1/19/56

Feb. 27th – Odell Lions Club celebrates 50th Anniversary-Chartered 1/9/56

Feb. 8th – Mt. Pleasant White Cane Auction

Feb. 9-11 - NCLF Council Meeting, Asheville

Feb. 10th – Charlotte Checkers to raise funds for Ross Minor's medical bills

Lion Bennie Pugh PDG made a motion to have a cabinet meeting in March or April to elect Vice District Governor, a two year member of the Board of Directors and to adopt District By-Laws. The motion was seconded by Lion Jim Walker PDG and approved. March 29, 2007, a fifth Thursday was recommended.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Rummage CS/T