



District 31-E Newsletter

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THOUGHTS FROM THE GOVERNOR



October was an exciting month with the fishing tournament in the middle. District E had about 80 participants and several Past District Governors helping to serve the VIP's at the Outer Banks. The weather was clear and hot on the piers and boats. There were 339 fishermen who caught a total of 344 pounds of fish. The fishing tournament is a large undertaking costing \$150,000. This cost is taken care of by Lions from across the state and by a wide variety of fundraisers. Each group furnishes their own way to the Outer Banks. Some arrive in cars or vans, and others in buses. It is a wonderful four days of travel, fishing and seminars for our VIP's.



This year the theme was pirates and we had some great looking pirates on the dance

floor Monday night after the bible study. This is the first year that the fishing tournament had to be called early because of heat. Five people were taken to the nearby hospital for heat exhaustion. Only one had to stay overnight. All were doing well by Thursday for the ride home. Below you will see how some of the VIP's



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ON THE GO WITH THE GOVERNOR

Please contact District Governor Sydney if you plan to have a joint meeting with another club in your area when she makes her official visit.

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| November | 27 | Kannapolis |
| 1 | Midway | |
| 2-3 | District F Mid Winter | |
| 5 | Zone 4 Meeting | |
| 6 | Lexington Downtown | |
| 6 | Spencer | |
| 7 | SightFirst Meeting | |
| 9-11 | NCLF Meeting | |
| 12 | Pilot/Fairgrove | |
| 15 | Landis | |
| 16-18 | District A Mid Winter | |
| 24 | Locust Xmas Parade | |
| | | —No Visits in December— Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! |

Note: Please advise District Governor Sydney, (h)704 455-5535, (b)704 455-5848, email: speudy@ctc.net, if the above meeting time and/or date is not convenient or if there is a scheduling conflict.

6 New Lions

WhasHappnin?! !!

ALBEMARLE
 Edward Lanahan
 Lena Dean Sponsor: ROGER EUDY
 Sponsor: WALTER SMITH

THOMASVILLE
 Jay Krueger
 Eric McCauley Sponsor: JAMES NANCE
 Sponsor: GLENDA GANDY

WAXHAW
 Charles Baer
 Ellen Talbert Sponsor: ELL WILSON
 Sponsor: (N/A)

1. Harrisburg Hot Dog Sale every Thursday except holidays.
2. Harrisburg Lions First Friday Fish Fry; 4-8PM
3. Beginning Wednesday, October 3rd, the Salisbury Lions Club will be moving their meetings from the Holiday Inn to: Ryan's Grill & Buffet, 730 South Jake Alexander Blvd., Salisbury 28144.

FAIRGROVE LIONS HONOR MEMBERS AND ADD NEW MEMBERS

On Monday evening, Oct. 15th, Vice District Governor Gordon McAdams installed two new members, Brad Overcash & Jennifer Smith, into the Fairgrove Lions Club. Brad is an attorney with the law firm of Brinkley Walser, PLLC in Lexington and Jennifer is Children & Youth Director at Fairgrove United Methodist Church.



L to R: Brad Overcash, Bill Cline, Wayne Taylor, Jennifer Smith, DG Sydney Eudy, David Lambeth, and VDG Gordon McAdams

Fairgrove club as President, Vice-President, and other offices in the club.

Lion Steve Cline presented his father, Lion Bill Cline, with a Life Membership to Lions Clubs International in honor of his fifty plus years service to Lionism. The Fairgrove Club was organized and

Two Melvin Jones Fellowships, the highest honors presented from the Lions Clubs International Foundation were presented to Lion Wayne Taylor and Lion David Lambeth. Both have served the

chartered in 1950. Lion Bill was one of the charter members and is still an active member in the club.

Special guests were District Governor Sydney Eudy and her husband Lion Roger and families of the club members.

Answers to Test your Boomer Quotient: How did you do?

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|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Richie Havens | 6. Helen Reddy |
| 2. Six | 7. Spiro T. Agnew |
| 3. Diane Keaton | 8. Richard Roundtree |
| 4. Eagles | 9. Merrill Stubing |
| 5. Edwin E. "Buzz" Aldrin, Jr. | 10. Tennis |

Important November Dates:

- 2 Cookie Monster's birthday
- 4 First Wagon Train Reached California
- 10 Sesame Street debuted in 1969
- 14 National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day
- 18 Mickey Mouse's birthday
- 19 Gettysburg address delivered in 1863
- 21 World Hello Day
- 23 National Cashew Day
- 30 Stay at Home Because You're Well Day

LION HELPING LION

In February 2007, Lion Henry Morris started a new chapter in his life by becoming the Davidson County Chapter Coordinator for a feeding ministry program called Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry (FHFH). Lion Henry got involved as a result of his Lions club, the Fair Grove Lions Club, participating in a "Can Drive", a program to provide food for the Family Resource Center. Each week members of the Fair Grove Lions donate food to the local Family Resource Center to feed the needy. When Lion Henry discovered that the Family Resource Center was receiving very little meat, his heart felt conviction to help feed needy families in Davidson County evolved into getting the FHFH program running. "My Lions Club has been very supportive in my effort to get this program up and running

here in Davidson County. Many members have bought raffle tickets from me for fundraisers and given dollar donations."



Lion Mary McGuire took a big step forward by making a contribution to Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry. Lion Mary's donation will be used to help feed a meat meal to 4,000 hungry people in our area. This size contribution is normally given only by a business or

corporation. Lion Henry Morris presented Mary a Certificate of Appreciation signed by himself and the National Director, Rick Wilson, to say "Thank You" for her support in the feeding ministry of Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry in Davidson County, NC. Thanks to the support of the Fair Grove Lions Club and his community, the FHFH program is making a huge contribution to reducing the number of people who are unable to buy food. "The Lions Motto is *We Serve*. As Christians we should all have this motto," Lion Henry said. "Thanks to Lions; we serve In Christ."

Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry is a national outreach ministry to help feed venison and other big game to the hungry in our communities. Lions across the country have been big supporters of this program. To learn more about Farmers & Hunters Feeding the Hungry visit www.FHFH.org, or www.The64hunt.com.

LIONS RECOGNIZE DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH IN NOVEMBER

Secretary's Corner

Lions Diabetes Awareness Program and the National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services are partnering to promote National Diabetes Awareness Month in November and World Diabetes Day (November 14).

Any Lions Clubs may join in NDEP's new campaign, "One Call, One Click," to obtain free diabetes publications from NDEP, a leading source of diabetes information developed for consumers and health care professionals. Materials are easy to obtain: just "one call" to 1-888-693-NDEP (6337), Monday through Friday, 8-4 p.m. (EST) or

"one click" to the NDEP website at www.YourDiabetesInfo.org will take Lions to an array of valuable resources on diabetes prevention and control. Materials are also available in Spanish and 15 Asian and Pacific Islander languages, and include brochures, posters, tip sheets, booklets, public service announcements, sample newsletters text and more. The Spanish-language materials are available at: www.diabetesinformacion.org. This information will enable Lions to promote diabetes prevention and control and offer life-saving information to children, teens and adults.

1. Club Presidents - Be sure to take your club banner to the Mid Winter Convention Banquet on Saturday night so your club will be represented in the Parade of Clubs at the beginning of the Governor's Banquet. A representative from your club should be lined up with the banner outside the banquet room at 5:45 PM.
2. Items are needed for the Raffle and for door prizes at the Tail Twisters' Breakfast at the Mid Winter Convention. Money raised from the raffle will go to White Cane and will be credited to the Club donating the item(s).

DISTRICT GOVERNOR SYDNEY EUDY PARTS WITH HAIR

The heat seemed to have really gotten to District Governor Sydney at the VIP Fishing Tournament. On Wednesday afternoon I found her wandering around the dining room looking for someone to shorten her hair. Now I know that the job of Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer includes many duties, but I wasn't sure if I was required to be barber or beautician. Not being completely sure, I did what any good Cabinet member would do. That evening at the Awards Banquet I found a pair



of hedge trimmers and offered to remove as much of the District Governor's hair as she wished to have taken off. Just before I had an opportunity to begin cutting, a certified beautician stepped forward and did the job for me. Although we had some fun with the hair cut, Lion Sydney along with a number of other participants did donate their hair to a worthy cause that evening. In response to a challenge by NCLF 2nd VP Lion John Miller, a number of VIP's and Lions gave their hair to the Locks of Love program. Lion John began his year as 2nd Vice President of the NCLF with a promise to not cut his hair until he is installed as President of the NCLF in 2010. At that time he plans to donate his hair when he is installed as President. Locks of Love is a public non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children under the age of 18 who are suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis.

**BBQ
BONELESS
CHRISTMAS
PORK BUTTS
\$25.00**

**Average Cooked Weight: 5 lbs
Preorder by December 7th**

**Pick up on December 14th
From 4 pm to 8 pm**

Name _____

Phone _____

Harrisburg Lions Club 704-455-3738

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felt about their week at the Outer Banks.

Jennifer Lowry, VIP

This was my first time on the VIP Fishing Trip and it was a great experience. When we arrived at the Manteo Lions Club on Monday evening, I was struck by how many VIP's were being served and what a huge effort the Lions put forth to make this event happen.

It was such fun to see everyone in their pirate gear exchanging hearty, "RRRRRR's." I was excited to see friends and Lions I had met at Camp Dogwood.

On Tuesday it was time for the fishing tournament. Now, to put it mildly, I'm not much of a fisherman. I think my family and friends were all surprised to hear I was going fishing at the beach. "Fishing? Jennifer, you are going fishing??" Out on the Avalon pier, with the patient guidance of Lion Terry Tutor, a fisherman I became. Terry was



so wonderful! He baited my hook countless times, taught me how to cast and helped me all day in the unrelenting heat, even while his leg was hurting and swollen from



all the standing. And.....I caught FIVE fish! Amazing! My roommate, Susan, and I had a little spirited competition going on out there, too. I caught

MORE fish than Susan, but Susan caught a BIGGER fish 😊.

My favorite night was the banquet on Wednesday. The dinner was beautifully prepared complete with fancy cloth napkins



and dishes. I was so touched to hear my fellow VIP's receiving their fishing awards. It was special to share their joy.

The Lions do so much to make every VIP feel special and welcome. They encourage us to be active and engaged in life. The Lions allow us to see the very best in human kindness and generosity. Thank you!

Terry Bostian, VIP

Hello, I am Terry Bostian and I'm a VIP and participant in the VIP Fishing Tournament. I say THANKS to the Lions in North Carolina and especially the district for supporting the fishing

tournament. I love the whole aspect of the event. We have a good time on the trip down with Lion Roger and Lion Sydney. I make new friends that will last a lifetime. The food is great and the fishing is better when they are biting. The seminars and vendors are great too. Once again a big Thanks from this VIP.



Suzette Bostian, Sighted (wife of Terry)

I am Suzette Bostian and I am sighted. I went to the VIP Fishing tournament with my husband who is a VIP. This was my first year and I enjoyed every minute. We want to thank Sydney Eudy for being our leader. I enjoyed the dance on Monday and met a lot of



neat people, especially the Lions. I hope this can be something I will be able to do every year. I

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We're on the Web:
www.lions31e.org

Lions Environmental Photo Contest.

Every Lion can enter a photograph of his or her immediate surroundings into the club-level **Lions Environmental Photo Contest.**

The purpose of the photo contest is to showcase the beauty of nature. In 1972, Lions Clubs International made a commitment to protecting the environment. Lions can enter photographs of their environment (without people) in one of the following five categories:

- animal life
- plant life
- urban or natural landscape
- weather phenomenon
- a special annual theme

Winning club-level photographs will advance to the district, multiple district, and international competitions. Registered attendees of the Lions international convention will vote for the six (includes Best of Show) international photo contest winners.

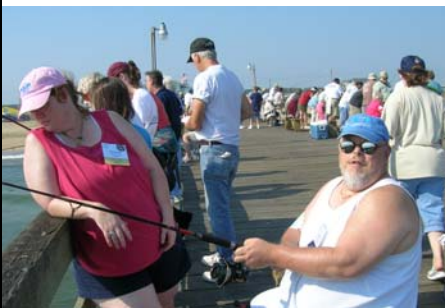
For rules and entry form go to:
www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/environment_photo_contest.shtml

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enjoyed helping on the pier with the bait and taking fish off the hooks. While at the Outer Banks, I donated my hair to Locks of Love. Everyone likes my new short hairstyle. Thank you Lions for supporting the Fishing Tournament. Thank you to the Cabarrus County VIP group.

Carrie Lowe, VIP

I would like to thank all the members of the Lions Clubs for the four wonderful days I spent at the Fishing Tournament. From the time I stepped on the bus at 7 AM until I stepped off on Thursday afternoon back home, I had a really great time. The food was so good,



and the fishing was fun. Even though my fish was small, the fellowship I enjoyed couldn't have been any bigger.

Thank you so much for making it all possible. Devoted friend of the Lions Club

Sondra Alexander, Sighted

Hope you are having a good day. I just wanted to say thank you for the fishing trip. I enjoyed it

very much. I was going to cancel my trip after I was burned. I didn't want to ask for help all the time; I



didn't think I could help anyone. Carrie and Willene said, "No! You can take us to eat and to the restroom." They were right. I had a very good time and helped everyone who asked me. I would like to say thank you to Lion Sydney for letting me be a VIP. May God Bless You Each Day!

In late May or early June, Sondra was sitting with a person and while preparing a meal she was burned very badly over her hands and arms. Sondra proves that no matter what our problems, we can make a difference. Just as Lions make a difference in a VIP's life, VIP's also make a difference in the lives of Lions. Remember to count your blessing each and every day. God has blessed each of us with wonderful friends and family.

Have a great Thanksgiving!
District Governor Sydney

If you get this newsletter by USPS and have an email address, please send your email address to Bennie Pugh at: bpugh@cprsystems.com. Newsletters by email are at least a couple of days faster than the USPS. There is other information sent to the email addresses that does not get sent through the USPS.

Lions District 31-E Mid-Winter Convention

Holiday Inn, Salisbury NC - January 25 - 26, 2008

Friday - January 25 - Happy Days Sock Hop!

Registration..... 4:00PM-8:30PM
 Family Fun Night (all Lions and Guests Invited) Sock Hop 6:30PM-9:00PM
 Chicken Tenders, entertainment and Lions bingo

Saturday - January 26

Registration..... 7:15AM-6:00PM
 Tail Twisters Breakfast (all Lions and Guests)..... 7:15AM-10:15AM
 Seminar (all Lions and Guests)..... 10:30AM-12:00PM
 Lunch - Hospitality (Room #110) 12:00PM-1:15PM
 Leo Cabinet Meeting (Overman Room) 12:00PM-1:00PM
 District Cabinet Meeting 1:15PM-2:45PM
 Hospitality Room Open 3:30PM-5:00PM
 Banquet (all Lions and Guests)..... 6:00PM-9:00PM

Badges must be worn at all meal functions (including fun night)

Holiday Inn (704) 637-3100
530 Jake Alexander Blvd
Salisbury, NC 28147

Room Rate - \$72.99 plus tax
Reservations after January 1 will be provided on space-available basis.

*Make your room reservations directly with the motel.
 Let them know you are attending the Lions Convention to get discounted room rate.*

Make check for meals payable to:
 NC Lions District 31-E

Mail check with bottom portion of this form to:
 Lion Ron Staley Phone: (704) 788-8866
 7935 Altacrest Drive
 Concord, NC 28027
 Email: rstaley@carolina.rr.com

Do Not Mail after January 12, 2008

Phone registration between Jan. 12 & Jan. 20
No refunds after January 20

Return this part of the form with your check – Copy as needed

Club: _____ District: _____

Names of everyone attending:

(We must have first and last names for badges)

| | | Lion | Leo | Stickley Fellow | MJ Fellow | Woolard Prtnr N Svc | | Fun Night | TT Breakfast | <u>Banquet Meal</u> | |
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| <u>Function</u> | <u>Cost by Jan 12</u> | <u>Cost after Jan 12</u> | <u>Number Attending</u> | <u>Total Cost</u> |
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| Family Fun Night | \$3.00 | \$7.00 | _____ | _____ |
| Tail Twister Breakfast | \$10.00 | \$12.00 | _____ | _____ |
| District Governor Banquet | \$20.00 | \$22.50 | _____ | _____ |

Reminder: Please Select Banquet Meal Preference Above

Total Cost _____

DATES TO REMEMBER

November - Diabetes Awareness Month

- **Second Zone Meetings**
- November 10 - State Council of Governors meeting - Camp Dogwood.
- November 11 - NCLF Board meeting - Camp Dogwood.
- November 14 - World diabetes Day
- November 15 - Deadline for

clubs to send one winning Peace Poster entry to the District Governor.

December

- December 5 - International Leo Day. Happy 50th Anniversary to the Leo Club Program!

January - Glaucoma Awareness Month

- January 13 - Melvin Jones' Birthday
- January 15 - Deadline for districts to submit a single Lions Environmental Photo Contest entry to the multiple district.
- January 25-26 - Mid Winter Convention. Holiday Inn, Salisbury, NC.
- January 25 - Cabinet Meeting. Holiday Inn, Salisbury, NC.

2008 is the year Baby Boomers can begin drawing Social Security

Test your Boomer Quotient:

1. Who was the opening act at Woodstock in 1969?
2. How many kids were in "The Brady Bunch"?
3. Who played the title role in "Annie Hall"?
4. What group recorded the song "Hotel California"?
5. Who was the second man on the moon?
6. Who sang "I am woman"?
7. Who ran as VP with Richard Nixon in 1972?
8. Who played the title role in "Shaft"?
9. Name of the captain of "The Love Boat"?
10. Rosemary Casals starred in what sport?

Answers on page 2.



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