



District 31-E Newsletter

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THOUGHTS FROM THE GOVERNOR



August has been an exciting month. I have enjoyed each club that I have had the honor to visit. It has been like a family reunion meeting everyone. At two clubs we added a total of three new members. Way to go Cleveland and Welcome Lions Clubs. I have met the Best Carpet Cleaner, the Punchiest Lion, the Greenest President, the Best Camper and one who work with volunteers in the reading program for the blind and those who works very hard collecting eyeglasses. Remember to have fun and include your family in all your projects and you will gain in membership. I am looking forward to the Clubs that I will visit next month. Always remember that your club can have a joint meeting with another club or two. Please let me know if you plan a joint meeting for my visit. I don't mind changing my schedule for my visit. I have also enjoyed attending club fundraisers and have had some wonderful food. I hope to be able to attend some of the other fundraisers in the district this year.

I am also excited about what is going

on at Camp Dogwood. The new dorm has electrical and plumbing installed and they have started to hang the drywall. I hope each of you have a chance to go by the camp and see the progress for yourself. There is other exciting thing happening at camp. Check it out below and you will see what I am talking about.

From Jennifer (VIP) and Ellie Lowry:
 (Another Fun Week at Camp Dogwood)

My daughter Ellie, age six, and I have been eagerly anticipating our week of camp on Lake Norman. We had so much fun last year we were anxious to re-



Jennifer and daughter Ellie

turn. Well we just got back and let me share our adventures...

At Camp Dogwood, campers start each

day with a hearty breakfast and get ener-

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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.

Date	Location	Date	Location
Sept 4	Oakboro	Sept 24	Southmont
Sept 5-9	US Canada Forum	Sept 25	Norwood
Sept 11	Salisbury 75 th	Sept 27	Stanfield
Sept 13	Thomasville		
	Linwood	Oct 1	Central
Sept 17	Davis Townsend	Oct 4	Wadesboro
Sept 20	Monroe		

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gized for a busy day. After the flag raising ceremony and devotions (where campers of all faiths share stories, hymns and prayers) the activities begin.

Our favorite morning activity was Arts and



Fun Making Crafts

Crafts. Together we made a beautiful tissue flower bouquet and arranged it in a clay pot. Ellie painted our pot bright cheerful hues of pink and gold. We also shaped air dry clay and painted our creations. It is so fun to bring our crafts home to show Daddy!

After stopping in the snack shop for treats and souvenirs, we often headed for the water. I think the waterfront is

popular with all campers. Camp Dogwood offers fishing, boat rides, tubing, swimming, and even water skiing. Ellie did her first lake swimming this summer. She delighted in using her snorkel and mask and tried to coax other campers in the water shouting, "It's so fun, you HAVE to try it!"

Ellie and I enjoyed our two off campus outings, playing miniature golf and going bowling. Each camper is given the opportunity to attend one morning and one afternoon off-campus

activity. Other choices are horseback riding, shopping at the mall and shopping at Wal-Mart.

Just prior to lunch each day there is an exercise class where we played games like Hot Potato, danced the Hokey Pokey, and the Funky Chicken. Mostly we exercised our smile lines and funny bones!

Each evening there is a planned activity that all

campers can enjoy. Monday we played Bingo, Tuesday we learned bird and owl calls (Owl Prowl) from a wildlife expert,



Old Friends

Wednesday was the dance, Thursday a lake cruise was available, and on Friday we wrapped up our week with an Awards Night. The counselors and Lion volunteers are always available

to lend a hand. Campers can do as little or as much as they want to during the week. You can relax in the lodge with coffee or hot chocolate or keep moving with a steady stream of activities. The porches welcome campers with lines of rocking chairs and lively chatter. The back patio of the lodge is inviting after dinner. The lake views relax and soothe.



New Friends

Camp Dogwood is a truly special place. The lodging is comfortable, the meals good and plentiful, and the people wonderful. The staff, volunteers and fellow campers are generous with their hearts and labors. Ellie had a grand time meeting everyone (me too) and playing cards and guessing games with the friendly counsel-



ors. I am so grateful for a Mommy/Daughter week in a safe, caring, and beautiful setting. My thanks to all who make Camp Dogwood possible!! We are already looking forward to next summer!

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From Barbara Spears:

(This was my first trip to Camp Dogwood.)

I met some wonderful people at camp. Flea and Nickie were counselors who were very nice to all of us. Cloe was our exercise instructor who taught us how to do the Chicken Dance. Daniel and Brit took us out on the pontoon and speedboat. Nurse Vickie and I had a great time on the swings and sliding board. Mr. D and Tybo baited hooks for me so I could fish. I also had a wonderful time playing ping-pong for a blind lady. I also had a chance to go bowling. I met two nice ladies and we went walking every morning. The food at camp was great and we had a wonderful cookout. I had a wonderful roommate. On Friday I was given the Miss Sunshine Award. I am looking forward to going back next year. Now to all the Lions Clubs, Roger and Sydney Eudy, Thank-you for a safe and joyous trip.



Fun in the Sun

was very good. The Lions are very helpful to us. Thank you, Lions, for a terrific week.

From Willene Morrisette:

On July 22, I spent a week of fun in the sun at Camp Dogwood located on beautiful Lake Norman. The staff did everything to show us a good time and make our trip enjoyable. The Lions Club volunteers helped with any needs we had.

We made ice cream every day at 2 o'clock, and we had to churn to earn a bowl, and it was a lot of fun. Our activities included boat riding, fishing, swimming, crafts, bingo, putt-putt and you could also go horseback riding if you cared to do so. The food was fantastic. I could go on and on but I am running out of space. Just let me say thank you, Lions Clubs, for all the things you do for us and

thank you for giving us Camp Dogwood.

I hope you are excited now and know that what we do as Lions is important and makes a difference. Now that you have your Camp Dogwood tickets and know that you make a difference. Let's show the VIPs and the rest of the state what 31-E can do.

District Governor Sydney

From Carrie Lowe:

I would like to say thanks to all the Lions Clubs for the great time I had at Camp Dogwood. The camp staff was wonderful to all of us and the food

Date	Location	Date	Location
<i>(Continued from page 1)</i>		Nov 9-11	NCLF Meeting
Oct 8-11	VIP Fishing Tournament	Nov 12	Pilot
Oct 18	Gold Hill	Nov 13	West Lexington
Oct 19-20	District C Convention	Nov 15	Landis
Oct 22	Unionville	Nov 16-17	District A Convention
Oct 23	Franklin Ellis	Nov 26	Indian Trail
Oct 25	Churchland	No Visits in December	
Oct 26-27	District B Convention	Merry Christmas and Happy New Year	
Oct 28	2PM Cabinet Meeting at Camp Dogwood	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.	
Nov 1	Midway		
Nov 2-3	District F		
Nov 6	Lexington Downtown Spencer		

11 New Lions this Year!

AQUADALE

Michael Burris
Sponsor: Clay Carpenter
Kathy Burris
Sponsor: John Huneycutt

CHURCHLAND

William Maynor
Sponsor: Judy Ludwig

CLEVELAND

Jane Drechsler
Sponsor: Bob Cline

INDIAN TRAIL

Shannon McGrath
Sponsor: Robin L Barron McGrath

MOUNT ULLA

Pam Bass
Sponsor: Joyce Adkins

ROCKWELL

Freda Horne

Sponsor: Stella Stirewalt
Jennifer Christy
Sponsor: Phyllis Spry
Susan Thomas
Sponsor: Phyllis Spry

THOMASVILLE

Leona Gilliam
Sponsor: David Smoot
Claudio Manes
Sponsor: Robert Reed

Whashappnin!!!

1. **Salisbury Lions Club** - will celebrate its 75th Charter Night on September 11, 2007 at the Salisbury Holiday Inn.

- Reception 6:30 PM - Dinner 7:00 PM
- Speaker PID Sid Scruggs
- Cost \$16.00 per person
- Contact Bob Loeblein 704-636-4766 or George Ohm 704-637-2458

2. **Cleveland/Mt Ulla Lions held joint meeting** at Camp Dogwood. DG Sydney Eudy was at the meeting and had the opportunity to meet and visit with both clubs. It was also a good opportunity for members and spouses of both clubs to see what is going on at the camp since it was during the camping season. DG Sydney also installed a new member, Janie Drechsler, of the Cleveland Lions Club.

3. **Cleveland Lions Club** - will hold the Joe Hall Memorial Scholarship Breakfast, on Sept. 1st from 7 to 10 am. If you like eggs, bacon, grits, ham, sausage, biscuits, gravy, tomatoes, orange juice, coffee and iced tea, don't miss this event. Donations go toward a \$1,500.00 scholarship for a graduating senior from West Rowan High School that may not otherwise have the opportunity to attend school.

4. **Wingate Lions Club** - On National Night Out, which was on Tuesday, August 7th, the Wingate Lion's served hotdogs and hamburgers to a large number of folks who braved the 100 degree temperatures to come and have fun at the Wingate Park. We enjoyed serving the food, and everyone said it was really delicious. Thanks to all who participated.

5. **Leo Clubs** – Leo Officers, Advisors & Lion Liaisons are invited to a meeting at Camp Dogwood. The purpose of

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LIONS CLUB---MY FAVORITE CHARITY

Harvey Whitley, Sector Coordinator, Campaign SightFirst II

Over the last two and a half years, I have attended hundreds of hours of meetings and presentations about Campaign Sight-First II. As I reflect upon the experience, I find myself wondering just what Lions really think about this project. I get mixed reactions ranging from very enthusiastic to a myriad of excuses about why they can't support the program. Many Lions say they like the program but continue to procrastinate making a decision to participate. I have heard just about everything imaginable when I speak to Lions about making a club or personal commitment to Campaign SightFirst II.

- "Most of the money is being spent overseas." (#1 objection)
- "Our club is stretched to the limit already."
- "We need new members before we can support anything else."

· "Lions don't make personal contributions of money. "International is always thinking up one more way to take our money."

The fact is, since 1996, more money (\$64 million) has been **returned** to the United States through International grants than United States Lions have donated (\$53 million). Here in North Carolina, we have gotten a **2 to 1 return** of a little over \$2 million compared to the \$1 million we donated. Take a look at Camp Dogwood and see the two new dormitories. Think about the Clinical Eye Research facilities at Duke, UNC, and Wake Forest. Think about the blind



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Secretary's Corner

1. **Peace Poster Contest** - Clubs can order a Peace Poster kit (PPK-1) from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. The cost of the kit is US\$7.95 + shipping. To order online, go to www.lionsclubs.org, click: [Lions Store](#) (Item Search: Peace Poster Kit).

If your club publishes a **Club Monthly Newsletter**, please email or send a copy to the District Bulletin Chairperson [Lion Theresa Matthews](#) at either PO Box 788, Denton, NC 27239-0788 or at: mkmsales@mindspring.com.

MY FAVORITE CHARITY

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center in Washington, NC, the McCune Center improvements, the Vision Van and the many habitat homes that were made possible with international assistance. How about the flood, tornado, and hurricane relief assistance we have received? Contributions from Lions **worldwide** helped make these grants possible.

When I became a Lion, I assumed

every Lion had a mindset to maximize service to the less fortunate. When we see a proven and successful strategy like SightFirst that has worked since 1990 to help millions of people, why wouldn't we jump at the opportunity to embrace it and continue its good work in reducing preventable and reversible blindness?

I know it is risky to generalize, but I am going to do so anyway. Perhaps the common denominator of our failure to more enthusiastically embrace Campaign SightFirst II is a symptom of

complacency. We don't like change. We continue to plow the same fields and do not seek to learn about new ground—and consequently miss the opportunity to do even more wonderful good deeds in our worldwide community.

I recall the words of Helen Keller when I consider my own personal commitment to Campaign SightFirst II—"I cannot do everything, but I can do something." That is why I contribute some of my time and money to my favorite charity—the Lions Club.

Make'em Look!!!

Theresa Matthews
District Bulletin Chair



Club Bulletins come in all forms -- some a single sheet in black and white; some with lots of color pictures; some monthly, weekly, or only occasionally.

A great way to "Make'em Look" at the important information these newsletters have is to use some play on words in the titles and headings.

So far this year I have seen the following:

- The Famous "**DownTown Sound**" of the Lexington DownTown Lions
- "**A Lion or Two**" to members of Mt. Pleasant Lions
- "**Clevelines**" for the Cleveland Lions
- "**Mane Lion News**" for Pilot Lions
- "**The Lion Hearted News**" for Concord Lions

Then there is the directory for Linwood Lions that takes its inspiration from our District 31-E directory. And Rockwell Lions bulletin & directory that

impresses with sheer size & usefulness of "everything you wanted to know about Rockwell Lions" including VIP info, year long activities & committees, and on and on.

Email or send me your bulletins.
I hope to have them available for perusal & inspiration at our Mid-Winter Convention.

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the meeting is to organize the State Leo Convention and to share ideas about what everyone has been doing. The date and time is Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Lunch will be available for a cost of approximately \$8.00 per person. Let me know by September 12 if you can attend.

The dates for the Leo State Convention are April 18 - 20, 2008. Please pass this message along!

Contact Lion Terry Cauble, State Leo Chair if you have any questions.
Phone: (704) 982-6655
Email: caubleselectrical@ctc.net

6. Lexington Downtown Lions Club will hold its 27th Annual Dave Conrad Lions Memorial Golf Tournament on September 12, 2007. Entry fee for a four man team is \$225.00. Hole sponsorships are \$100.00. An entry form is included in this newsletter. For more information, contact Lion Mark Breden at 336-249-8616.

7. Gold Hill Lions Club will have a food booth at Gold Hill's Annual Founder's Day Celebration on September 22, 2008. Sausage biscuits, cinnamon rolls, coffee and tea will be served for breakfast, followed by grilled chicken sandwiches, french fries with chili and/or cheese and soft drinks, at noon. Two entries planned for the parade include VIPs in one convertible and Mor-

gan School/Gold Hill Lion Citizen's of the Quarter for the school year 2006/2007 in a second convertible. There will be entertainment and craft booths. Booth will open about 8 AM. Parade starts at 10AM. Location – Gold Hill Park, 700 block Saint Stephens Church Road, Gold Hill

8. Harrisburg Lions Club has hot dog sale every Thursday, 10:30AM-1:30PM.

9. Harrisburg Lions Club is now serving calabash shrimp at their First Friday Fish Fry on September 7, 4:30-8:30 PM

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

The Speakers Bureau is
 Waiting to Hear from You!!!



Are you a Club Program Chair without a program? Are you a Lions Club President with a lot of members who have been Lions less than 5 years? Do you wonder what happens to the contributions you send to the North Carolina Lions Foundation? Call the Speaker's Bureau. The Speakers Bureau is a group of Lions in each district who have been trained to visit all Lions Clubs, no matter how large or how small, and give a brief program about the services Lions provide through the NC Lions Foundation. They will be contacting clubs and asking to share information with your club. Each of these Lions is equipped to either answer your questions. They also have been trained to give a fact-filled program in a short period of time. Give them a call. Clubs who have done so report the program is excellent. Like the Maytag repairman, they are waiting to hear from you. Their names are: Lions:

- Jerry Austin (704 279-5061)
- Bennie Pugh (704 882-9407)
- Diane Whitley (704 283-5681)
- Harvey Whitley (704 283-5681)
- Ron Staley (704 788-8866)

**SID SCRUGGS, OUR CANDIDATE FOR
 INTERNATIONAL 2ND VP**
 by Morris Van Vleet, State Promotions Chair

Fellow Lions, for the past several years we have accepted a huge challenge. We have endorsed PID Lion Sid Scruggs III for the high office of "Second Vice President" of Lions International. We have voted unanimously to give this endorsement to International at state conventions over and over.

There are several reasons why we have done this. Every time Lion Sid has been asked to come through for us, he has. For this purpose, I will give an example from my experience. When we were forming the China Grove Branch of the Rockwell Lion Club, I asked Lion Sid to go to China Grove and help us install this fine group. He told me it was not like installing a full club. I told him I realized that but I wanted them to feel how important their installation was to them.

Without batting an eye he asked when it would be held and what time he had to be there. When the time came, he was there with the ever present smile on his face and the warm reception for each and every person who attended. He told a few jokes and related experiences that showed the importance of being a Lion. Each and every member of the club was so moved, they still recount the events that happened that day.

I would challenge anyone who knows Lion Sid to come up with an occasion when he hasn't helped when called upon. For this reason, it is now time for the Lions of MD31 to step up and support this fine individual, not only

with our vocal support but monetary support as well.

In the past we have done the same thing for PIP William "Bill" Woolard. Now I am asking the Lions of NC to support Lion Sid. As I said before, I ask nothing of you that my home club is not ready to back up. I asked my club to donate \$150.00 to Lion Sid's campaign fund and it was passed by 100% of all Lions present at the meeting. Now, I am asking the Lions Clubs of North Carolina to follow suit and donate the same. I realize that all clubs will not be able to do this but at least follow the example of the China Grove Branch. They



Lions Judy and Sid Scruggs

Lion Sid is North Carolina's candidate for International 2nd Vice President. He will be running at the Bangkok International Convention in 2008.

are only nine lions strong with two more to install but they remember what Lion Sid did for them and they said they would try to raise \$100.00 for him.

If your club sees fit to do so, please send the checks to:

Lion George Ohm
 Council Secretary/Treasurer
 411 Wiley Avenue
 Salisbury, NC 28144

or

Lion Morris Van Vleet
 State Promotions Chairperson
 PO Box 1406
 Rockwell, NC 28138

Please make checks payable to MD31 Promotions. Under the memo line on the check, please indicate it is for Sid's campaign fund.

Thank you in advance for your support,
 Lion Morris Van Vleet
 State Promotions Chairperson

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.

Lexington Downtown Lions Club
 presents the
27th Annual Dave Conrad Lions Memorial Golf Tournament
Wednesday, September 12th, 2007
Lexington Golf Club
 Country Club Drive, Lexington

- *All-Day Captain's Choice
- *\$225.00 Entry Fee for four-man team
- *\$5.00 per player for "Mulligans"
- *\$100.00 for a Hole Sponsorship

BARBECUE PARTY!!!
 (Immediately following afternoon play)
GREAT PRIZES!!!

- *Door Prizes
- *Longest Drive
- *Closest to Pin

For questions/entry call **Mark Breeden @ 336-249-8616**
 or mail this form along with your check payable to:

Lexington Downtown Lions Club
PO Box 571
Lexington, NC 27293-0571

Corporate or Business Name: _____

Player A: _____

Player B: _____

Player C: _____

Player D: _____

Tee Time: Morning 8:30 _____ **Afternoon 1:30** _____

DISTRICT DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Please let Ron Staley (rstaley@carolina.rr.com) know of any corrections needing to be made in the District Directory.

1. p. 12 – email address for Sara Troublefield is: stroublefiel@ptmc.net
2. p. 13 – Judy Ludwig, Zone Chair at top of page.
3. p. 31 - Gordon McAdams address is: 726 Fairgrove Road
4. p. 36 – email address for Joe Silvers is: silversbrothers@bellsouth.net
6. p. 37 – Secretary John Kearney club is Rocky Mount Evening Lions Club
7. p. 38 – Camp Dogwood Committee Chair, Johnny Berry zip code is 28671
8. p. 40 – Sigh/Hearing Conservation Committee Chair, Jim Irvin's zip is: 27511
9. p. 41 – Resolutions Committee Member, Dr. Jerry Bates' address is: Country Club Blvd
10. p. 41 – Tail Twister Committee member, Harvey Whitley's zip code is 28110
11. p. 42 – 2005-06 PDG, Dale Dupree's zip is: 28174

12. p. 42 – 1974-75 PDG, should say: David E. "Gene" Hough
13. p. 46 – Camp Dogwood award says: Presented by "PDG's". Lion J. Bates and my wife, Sallie, say it should be PDGs. According to my old English Grammar book, circa 1962, PDG's is correct.

The above corrections were submitted by a High Point High School student who made D's in English.

The following correction was submitted by an HPHS student who made A's in English and thanked God he passed English at Wake Forest.

14. p. 11 - Secretary of the Wallburg Lions Club is: Alwayne Lunsford, PO Box 399, Wallburg, NC 27373
15. p. 19 – Oakboro Secretary Don Burris email is: dburris27@ctc.net
16. p. 21 – Wadesboro President Jim Chandler email is: jim27306@carolina.net
17. p. 31 - Mike Schwartz email is: mikehschwartz@aol.com



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