



District 31-E Newsletter

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THOUGHTS FROM THE GOVERNOR



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

It is hard to believe that half our Lions year is over. We have so much left to do this year. The main function coming up is our convention. We have a fantastic fun-filled night planned with a sock hop on Friday night. Also, we will have a young lady who will play the piano and sing for us. She is 8 years old, blind and writes some of her own music. On Saturday morning there will be fun for all at the Tail Twister's Breakfast. As always there will be some great bargains and door prizes. Then we will have our town hall meeting and great seminars and a time to meet Past International Director Lion Dr. Beverly Roberts. After lunch we will have a Cabinet Meeting. Saturday night will be our banquet with great food and a good program. Club Presidents, be sure that your club banner is at the banquet. We want to make sure

all our clubs are represented. Send in your registration today for a wonderful convention.

We need to remember our commitments to the ones we serve. White Cane contributions have been down for over a year and is down again this year. As soon as possible, send in what you can and make a special effort to increase your contribution. Memorials and Honorariums are an important way you can increase your giving and get your money in to the NC Lions Foundation.

I hope you have heard about the new North Carolina State Hearing Program that helps provide hearing aids for the low income and elderly. If not, I encourage you to read the following. It is a letter telling about the experience of one individual who used this program.

Dear Lions Club,
I would like to take this opportu-

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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.



February

- 13 Albemarle Lions Club
- 28 Locust Lions Club
- 10 Wingate Lions Club
- 20 Waxhaw Lions Club

January

- 8 Convention Meeting
- 9 Salisbury Lions Club
- 10 Mt Pleasant Lions Club
- 14 Jackson Park Lions Club
- 22 Odell Lions Club

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.

9 New Lions

Fair Grove

Margaret Hammond
Sponsor: Mary McGuire

Lexington Downtown

Annette Thomason
Sponsor: Melissa Egelnick

Monroe

John Brouhard
Sponsor: Annie Bragg

Norwood

John Monds
Sponsor: Julian Trail
Lawrence Tucker
Sponsor: Kathy Tucker

Southmont

Nee Nee Jones
Sponsor: Rod Huffman

Thomasville

Tom Holladay
Sponsor: Hubert Leonard

Welcome

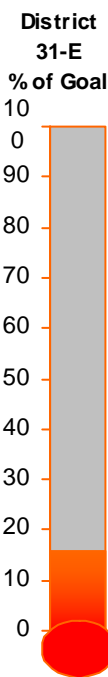
Michelle Gregory
Sponsor: Betty Hayes
Donald Grubb
Sponsor: Bruce Hayes

WhasHappnin!' !!

1. The Mount Ulla Lions Club recently donated \$2,500 to Southeastern Guide Dogs. Lions Club President Joyce Adkins presented a check to Suzette Williams of Southeastern Guide Dogs at the club's Nov. 19 meeting. Southeastern Guide Dogs raises and trains dogs to be placed with the blind and visually impaired -- free of charge to the recipient. The cost of training a dog exceeds \$40,000. The Mount Ulla Lions Club raises money for this project and others throughout the year by community breakfasts and barbecues.
2. The Locust Lions Club held its annual Christmas parade. The parade was again held on Highway 24-27 now that construction is complete. Following the parade a Christmas tree lighting ceremony and other activities were held in the Locust Town Center. Santa and his reindeer made a stop at the parade and stayed for photo opportunities with local children.

WHITE CANE UPDATE

The year is 50% gone and we have a lot of work still to do. We have just finished a wonderful Christmas season and I hope everyone found what you were looking for under the tree. It is time to Serve once again. We are a long way from reaching what is needed to support all of the programs funded by our White Cane dollars. To meet our objectives for the 07-08 Lions year we need to raise \$132,568 in District 31-E. At this point we have only received approximately \$20,000. Last year we were able to provide 348 Hearing Aids, 1,545 White Canes, 1,433 Eye Exams, 2,023 pairs of Eyeglasses, 13 Educational Grants, 55 Miscellaneous request for



assistance, and 792 campers to Camp Dogwood. Our Lions Clubs were able to do this with help from Matching Funds received from our White Cane donations through the North Carolina Lions Foundation. Again this year we will be able to continue these programs through the collective effort of our wonderful Lions Clubs in District 31-E. Programs are available for our clubs by contacting Lion George L. Barrier (704) 436-2328. Thank you for all of your support and let's have another successful year for White Cane. George L. Barrier III White Cane Chairperson District 31-E

January Happenings

- 1 - First Rose Bowl Game (1902)
- 7 - Typewriter patented
- 7 - Chrysler's first car introduced (1924)
- 8 - Jerry Bates buys his first car and first typewriter.
- 13 - Chubby Checker's *The Twist* reached No. 1 (1962)
- 20 - First baseball game played (1892)
- 24 - First typewriter ribbon made
- 25 - Jerry Bates types first Lions club newsletter
- 30 - Automobile first reaches 100 mph
- 31 - Jerry Bates appeals first speeding ticket in traffic court .

CHANGES TO NCLF PROGRAMS & SERVICES

• Hearing Aid Program

In view of the impact the recently implemented hearing aid program administered by Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is having, our NCLF Hearing Aid program is no longer required. The Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing makes free hearing aids available to all citizens of North Carolina and the program is well funded by fees we are charged for our telephones. It will greatly help us stretch the White Cane funds we have available.

• Vision Van - \$100/day

The fee for Lions Clubs is being increased to partially offset the cost of fuel. This is the first time the fee has been increased since the inception of the program and although it does not fully pay for the costs of operating the Vision Van, the increase will help pay for the cost of this service.

• Camp Dogwood Summer Camp Fees

VIP Camper - \$100

Sighted Caregiver attending Camp with a VIP - \$150

The fees for VIP's and Sighted Caregivers to attend Camp Dogwood during the summer camping season have not increased in over 20 years while the costs for counselors, a nurse, food and insurance has increased dramatically.

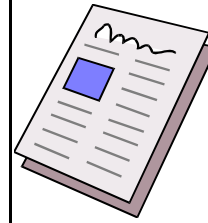
• Matching Funds

Preparing a balanced budget for the 2007-2008 was a challenge. For a number of years we have used a large bequest to supplement our White Cane contributions going to Matching Funds. This allowed us to help thousands of individuals who otherwise would not have been helped. With the depletion of the bequest, the need for White Cane Contributions to fund our Matching Funds Program, Camp Dogwood and our Statewide Services to the Visually Impaired is greater than ever.

We need your support and help to stretch the available dollars as far as possible. Please be sure that you have evaluated any other sources of assistance before requesting Matching Funds. Talk with your service providers to obtain the lowest charges possible for the services being provided. Evaluate your Club's procedures to be sure that assistance is being provided to those who truly need help.

We are currently processing all Matching Funds Requests that meet the program's requirements. If available funds are depleted it may be necessary to suspend the program until other funds become available.

DISTRICT BULLETIN ARAMA



I plan to have all bulletins that have been sent to me at the Mid-Winter so clubs can get ideas & inspiration from

the quality bulletins produced in our district. Secretaries & Bulletin Editors can send me any additional issues that have not been sent to me. You can call to be sure I have all your issues -- Lion Theresa Matthews 336-883-1321 days or home 336-859-5344. Email is mkmsales@mindspring.com. Mailing address is PO Box 788, Denton, NC 27239.

Secretary's Corner

1. Forms to certify delegates for the District Officer Election at the Midwinter Convention have been mailed to club secretaries. Be sure to select your delegates and alternates. The forms may either be mailed to District Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Ron Staley or given to him at the convention prior to the Cabinet Meeting. In order to vote at the Cabinet Meeting on Saturday, January 26th, delegates must see Cabinet Secretary Treasurer and be certified.
2. The 2008 supply catalogue will be mailed to secretaries in March.

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nity to send a very heart felt, "Thank-You" for the assistance you provided in getting me my new hearing aids. Being on a fixed income it is hard to make ends meet just in every day living, and to have to pay "extras", is almost impossible. Had it not been for your generosity, my hearing aid would not have been possible.

A special thanks to my friend Sydney Eudy, because she is the one that made me aware of the assistance that was available through the Lions Club. She gave me some paperwork to start the process. Within a week I was contacted by NCTEDP, and in one month or so I was wearing my new hearing aids, and hearing very well!

Again, a special thanks to all of you for caring, and for the kindness you show to others. You are a blessing to many and may all of you be blessed.

SECRETARY'S HONOR ROLL

A special thanks to the Secretaries of the following clubs for being up-to-date on their membership reports. Cabinet Sec/Trea, Ron Staley

ALBEMARLE	LANDIS
AQUADALE	LEXINGTON
ARCADIA	DOWNTOWN
CHURCHLAND	LINWOOD
CLEVELAND	LOCUST
CONCORD	MARSHVILLE
DENTON	MIDWAY
FAIR GROVE	MONROE
FRANKLIN ELLIS	MT PLEASANT
GOLD HILL	NORWOOD
HASTY	OAKBORO
INDIAN TRAIL	ODELL
JACKSON PARK	PILOT

ROCKWELL
SALISBURY
SOUTHMONT
SPENCER
THOMASVILLE
UNIONVILLE
WALLBURG
WAXHAW
WELCOME
WEST LEXINGTON
WINGATE

Sincerely,
Carolyn Lambert

This is a great way for the State of North Carolina to use our tax dollars. Please use this program when you receive a request for a hearing aid. The information can be found on District 31-E's website under NCLF Forms and then under NC State Hearing Program at the bottom of the page.

Let me take a personal moment for Lion Roger and myself to say, "Thank You" for your calls, visits, cards, and most of all those who prayed for us during his mother's illness and passing. Mrs. Eudy was 91 years old and will be celebrating the best Christmas of her life with her husband and most of all with Jesus. Each one of you is very special to us.

Thank you and Happy New Year,

District Governor Sydney

**2007-2008
District 31-E
Honorariums/Memorials**

<u>Lions Club</u>	<u>Total Honor/Mem</u>
Albemarle	\$0.00
Aquadale	\$0.00
Arcadia	\$0.00
Benton Heights	\$0.00
Central	\$0.00
Churchland	\$60.00
Cleveland	\$50.00
Concord	\$100.00
Davis-Townsend	\$50.00
Denton	\$1,150.00
Fair Grove	\$120.00
Franklin-Ellis	\$0.00
Gold Hill	\$190.00
Harrisburg	\$0.00
Hasty	\$0.00
Indian Trail	\$50.00
Jackson Park	\$25.00
Landis	\$0.00
Lexington Downtown	\$25.00
Linwood	\$0.00
Locust	\$0.00
Marshville	\$0.00
Midway	\$0.00
Monroe	\$0.00
Mount Pleasant	\$200.00
Mount Ulla	\$0.00
Norwood	\$0.00
Oakboro	\$125.00
Odell	\$25.00
Pilot	\$620.00
Rockwell	\$140.00
Salisbury	\$425.00
Southmont	\$0.00
Spencer	\$50.00
Stanfield	\$54.00
Thomasville	\$425.00
Unionville	\$125.00
Wadesboro	\$0.00
Wallburg	\$0.00
Waxhaw	\$0.00
Welcome	\$0.00
West Lexington	\$0.00
Wingate	\$0.00

District 31-E White Cane
Honor Roll 2005-2008

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

**In Memory of Those
Who Served**

Pilot Lions Club

Robert Byerly, Jr.
Billy Lee Southern, Jr.

Salisbury Lions Club

Glenn Ketner
Janis Walker

Thomasville Lions Club

Harold Allen

Club	04-05	05-06	06-07	07-08
Albemarle	\$3,775	\$3,750	\$3,725	\$0
Aquadale	1,294	1,060	600	0
Arcadia	1,130	1,075	1,178	0
Benton Heights	1,695	1,925	1,829	8
Central	4,610	4,000	4,000	0
Churchland	160	1,225	1,365	60
Cleveland	3,355	2,950	3,040	50
Concord	5,250	5,835	5,435	415
Davis-Townsend	1,940	1,936	2,346	94
Denton	3,106	3,258	3,350	1,150
Fair Grove	2,526	2,760	4,490	3,554
Franklin-Ellis	2,105	2,000	1,884	0
Gold Hill	2,381	2,460	3,362	790
Harrisburg	9,000	4,377	1,600	0
Hasty	1,575	2,052	1,100	0
Indian Trail	1,849	2,133	1,688	1,410
Jackson Park	3,222	1,846	2,183	1,109
Landis	1,289	1,054	924	70
Lexington Downtown	4,145	4,605	4,635	4,630
Linwood	3,160	3,486	2,200	0
Locust	1,563	2,350	2,384	0
Marshville	1,186	693	693	800
Midway	3,775	4,250	4,500	0
Monroe	1,280	1,150	1,050	0
Mount Pleasant	10,481	10,345	10,563	2,200
Mount Ulla	3,369		1,405	1,040
Norwood	1,748	1,232	1,436	0
Oakboro	253	398	481	125
Odell	4,232	4,355	4,467	25
Pilot	4,695	3,200	3,470	720
Rockwell	4,238	4,968	5,704	640
Salisbury	4,245	5,006	4,906	425
Southmont	1,185	1,309	1,815	0
Spencer	698	795	300	400
Stanfield	996	836	1,300	1,334
Thomasville	12,500	11,500	11,660	2,925
Unionville	4,497	4,560	4,642	2,625
Wadesboro	306	400	400	-
Wallburg	1,279	1,540	1,771	-
Waxhaw	2,104	2,500	2,991	1,000
Welcome	1,883	1,645	1,744	0
West Lexington	3,095	2,550	2,780	0
Wingate	2,113	2,901	3,448	0

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)

		Stickley	MJ	Woolard		Fun	TT	<u>Banquet Meal</u>	
<u>(We must have first and last names for badges)</u>	<u>Lion</u>	<u>Leo</u>	<u>Fellow</u>	<u>Fellow</u>	<u>Prtnr N Svc</u>	<u>Night</u>	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Beef</u>	<u>Vegie</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>
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 _____

THE NORTH CAROLINA LIONS FOUNDATION, INC.
TV CAR REPORT

REPORT DATE	12/20/2007					
LIONS CLUB	DIST	THIS YEAR MEMBERS	NO. OF STUBS	CONTRIB 2007-2008	CONTRIB 2006-2007	BOOKS PER MEM
Albemarle	E	42	0	\$ -	398.00	0.00
Aquadale	E	16	0	\$ -	0.00	0.00
Arcadia	E	16	0	\$ -	252.00	0.00
Benton Heights	E	17	30	\$ 30.00	238.00	0.18
Central	E	25	0	\$ -	348.00	0.00
Churchland	E	14	162	\$ 162.00	184.00	1.16
Cleveland	E	24	0	\$ -	411.00	0.00
Concord	E	21	0	\$ -	616.00	0.00
Davis-Townsend	E	24	30	\$ 30.00	62.00	0.13
Denton	E	43	386	\$ 386.00	1,388.00	0.90
Fair Grove	E	28	284	\$ 284.00	515.00	1.01
Franklin-Ellis	E	11	0	\$ -	484.00	0.00
Gold Hill	E	16	90	\$ 90.00	150.00	0.56
Harrisburg	E	29	0	\$ -	928.00	0.00
Hasty	E	14	0	\$ -	310.00	0.00
Indian Trail	E	16	150	\$ 150.00	280.00	0.94
Jackson Park	E	13	0	\$ -	206.00	0.00
Kannapolis	E	21	0	\$ -		0.00
Landis	E	9	30	\$ 30.00	110.00	0.33
Lexington DOWNTOWN	E	34	0	\$ -	532.00	0.00
Linwood	E	22	0	\$ -	395.00	0.00
Locust	E	25	0	\$ -	144.00	0.00
Marshville	E	10	0	\$ -	120.00	0.00
Midway	E	37	0	\$ -	190.00	0.00
Monroe	E	17	0	\$ -	40.00	0.00
Mount Pleasant	E	56	0	\$ -	606.00	0.00
Mount Ulla	E	13	0	\$ -	24.00	0.00
Norwood	E	17	190	\$ 190.00	402.00	1.12
Oakboro	E	10	0	\$ -	100.00	0.00
Odell	E	16	0	\$ -	424.00	0.00
Pilot	E	44	0	\$ -	431.00	0.00
Rockwell	E	31	0	\$ -	665.00	0.00
Salisbury	E	47	0	\$ -	1,240.00	0.00
Southmont	E	20	0	\$ -	315.00	0.00
Spencer	E	10	0	\$ -	12.00	0.00
Stanfield	E	16	297	\$ 297.00	300.00	1.86
Thomasville	E	68	0	\$ -	612.00	0.00
Unionville	E	29	0	\$ -	510.00	0.00
Wadesboro	E	4	88	\$ 88.00	0.00	2.20
Wallburg	E	19	0	\$ -	152.00	0.00
Waxhaw	E	19	0	\$ -	0.00	0.00
Welcome	E	20	0	\$ -	859.00	0.00
West Lexington	E	20	0	\$ -	402.00	0.00
Wingate	E	24	60	\$ 60.00	684.00	0.25
MISCELLANEOUS	E	0	0	\$ -	0.00	
TOTAL	E	1,027	1,797.00	1,797.00	16,039.00	0.17

DATES TO REMEMBER



January - Glaucoma Awareness Month

- **January 12 - Deadline for Discounted Registration rates for Midwinter.**
 - 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 25-26 - Midwinter Convention-Salisbury.
 - January 25 - Cabinet Meeting Holiday Inn, Salisbury, NC.
 - February - Pay International Dues
- February 1– Deadline for Peace Poster winners to be notified.
 - February 8-9 - State Lions Council & NCLF Board meetings.
 - March - Eye Donor Awareness Month
 - March 31– Deadline for International Convention Registration.



International Association of

Lions Clubs

Lion Sydney Eudy
District Governor, District 31-E
North Carolina 2007-2008
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