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SPECIAL NOTICE TO ARIZONA LIONS

by 2nd Vice President Joe Preston

Lions International 2nd Vice President Joe Preston

I have been watching the membership figures here in Multiple District 21, Arizona/California, with great concern. The membership in two of our districts has dropped under 1,000 members. I do not know if it is true, but I keep hearing the saying, "No district that has fallen below 1,000 members has ever gotten back to 1,250 members, to regain full district status, without redistrict." Whether it is true or not, I plan to do everything within my power to change that. I plan to see District 21A and District 21C back over 1,250, and I want to do the same for every district around the world that is under 1,000 members, that wants to grow!

Watching the membership trend in Arizona has been extremely hard on me as I haven't been able to do very much about it. I knew that I was going to be gone a lot, but I did not envision not being able to attend any of the district meetings/conventions, the Mid Year nor our State Convention. I really miss seeing my friends, and really miss not being able to take a more active role in helping meet our challenges.

This year as Second Vice President, I am the liaison to the Global Leadership Team, and am doing my best to play a more active role in this position. I am in frequent contact with our Global Leadership Leader, PID Dennis Cobler, and have sent out quarterly correspondence to all the District Leadership Leaders. Next year I will be the Liaison to the Global Membership Team, and plan to increase my involvement with this team even more.

At our Executive committee meeting that was held in January, I distributed information on a proposal for holding the largest membership drive that our association has ever conducted. Should it get approved, it will be launched over the next few years in conjunction with our Lions Centennial Celebration. It is a two-pronged attack with one going after chartering new clubs, but the other in building the membership in our existing clubs. This concept has to be approved and refined, but I am confident that something good is in the works.

Lastly, during my term as President, it is my intent to have a theme with major emphasis on assisting our clubs to develop, grow and provide more service. I do not plan to launch any new service activities. Instead, it will be a "back to the basics" type of program aimed at helping our clubs.

It is not my intent to be the best international president that our association has ever had and it is not my desire to be remembered for launching a specific service initiative. I just want to give everything that I have to better our association so that our association can prosper and provide more service to those in need, our local communities and the world community.



District Governor 21A Column

Submitted by DG Gary White, DG April Newsletter

Well, here we are moving in to spring, a time of year that I really love. It gives me that, let's do something new and exciting, you know throw out the old and bring in the new. That's just what my wife has had me doing, cleaning out the garden and flower beds so SHE can plant HER garden and flowers.

Speaking of planting, I want to plant a few seeds of thought for all of you to see if they will grow and prosper as we move forward as Lions in AZ. In some of my recent club visits I have been getting some informal feed back as to where is the value of doing CEP for our club. To answer that here is the seed I want you to think about and it comes from an old song where a little girl is asking her father WHAT IF the SUN never shines, the WIND never blew and the RAIN never fell, would a FLOWER EVER BLOOM? CEP Is about stopping and smelling the roses, it's not about you as an individual or the likes and dislikes of other Lions in your club, it's about finding out if what you are doing as a club, if it's the best choice for your club.

I will give you one more seed to plant and it's a seed that will take all of you as Lions to get it to grow or to not grow. This seed comes out of my vision of CHANGE. It is a seed that will require all of us to keep an open mind as to how it will benefit US and not ME or YOU. The seed is Public Relations, recognition and information about the Lions of Arizona

On to some other things that have been taking place in the District. The AJO Lions Club celebrated its 50th anniversary on March 4th at their club house in Ajo. See attached article on the next page in the CSL. I had a great opportunity to meet with the Glendale Bellair Business Branch club and was very pleased to see how well they are doing. They have a vision of what they need and would like and they have a very good and positive attitude on working together to accomplish their vision. From what I saw and heard I have no doubt that this Branch Club will be successful in becoming a fully chartered club by year's end.

This past weekend I attended the multiple zone meeting of zones 7 and 8 in Needles, Ca. It was very well organized and there was a lot of information given to the clubs in attendance. I hope to be able to get to more Zone meetings as my year wears on.

As we get closer to year's end I need to remind you all that your clubs need to start working on your slate of officers for the 2013/14 year and get your PU 101's done before April 15th. And you need to be planning on sending these new officers to the Leadership training that will be held in Peoria , AZ, around the middle of April. Details should be coming your way very soon. Remember there is no cost for the training other than your transportation. All club officers should attend even if you are a multiple term club officer. There are a lot of changes that have taken place with the club leaders and this is the best way for you to get updated on the changes.

So for now I will close by saying, "KEEP A SMILE ON YOUR FACE, A SONG IN YOUR HEART AND AN OPEN MIND TO CHANGE".

Gary White, District Governor District 21A

21A LIONS CLUB OFFICERS' TRAINING

April 13, 2013 - 9:00 AM to Noon

Peoria High School–11200 North 83rd Avenue – Peoria

FREE – NO REGISTRATION FEES!

All Club Presidents/Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Zone Chairs and Membership Chairs and their team are invited. DGE Robin is urging all clubs to have a 3-person membership team. Bring the whole gang! Also, any Lions interested in ideas to make club committees more productive are invited.

All participants must be registered by April 8th to be eligible for attendance. Email to rcsawyer@frontiernet.net or mail your registration form to: PID Dick Sawyer, PO Box 1570, Overgaard, AZ 85933. You must be registered by April 8th to attend. If you cannot make the Peoria location, two other locations are available.

For more information contact PDG Ann Roberts, 21A Global Leadership Chair (LionAnnR@aol.com 602-618-9653) or PID Dave Roberts, 21A Global Membership Chair (LionDaveR@aol.com 623-680-6012).

OFFICERS' TRAINING 21-A REGISTRATION

NAME: _____ CLUB: _____

2013-14 OFFICE: _____

Ajo Lions Celebrate 50 Years

On March 4th 2013, the Ajo Lions Club celebrated their 50th anniversary at their club house which is dedicated to PDG Dick Park who worked to acquire the property and building and turn it into a club house for Lions and community functions. Many Ajo Lions over the years have helped to preserve the club house and keep it in top condition.

Club President Jim Seifert opened the celebration and introduced District Governor Gary White who spoke on the success of the Ajo Lions and how they have worked hard, worked together and worked with the Ajo community to be best service organization in Ajo. DG Gary talked about when the club was chartered on January 7th, 1965. DG Gary said he was a junior in high school then and barely knew where the town he lived in was let alone knowing where Ajo was. DG Gary commented that over the years there have been many Lions come and go with the Ajo club and all have made it the success it is today and will continue to be in the future.

The Ajo Lions over their 50 years of service to the Ajo community have held many service projects as well as fund raisers. One of their proudest projects is the Flags for First Graders. When they first started the Flags for First Graders they would assemble at the School, the Local VFW would do a flag raising ceremony and then the Pledge of Allegiance would be said and of course a history lesson on the American flag would be given. The program grew over the years and due to a lot of the Lions being from Canada and the closeness to Mexico the program eventually included Canada's and Mexico's flags.

One of their most famous fund raisers was the annual Turkey shoot; they would set up metal targets that looked like turkeys, rabbits and wild pigs. Then they sold tickets to the shoot, you were given 5 shots to hit as many targets as you could. The winner would get a turkey.

The whole community of Ajo was invited to come and celebrate with the Ajo Lions. A pot luck lunch of BBQ beef and pork, BBQ beans, potato salad, cole slaw, vegetable platters as well as a white and chocolate cake was provided by visiting Lions from District 21-A.

Those in attendance from the District were DG Gary White, IPDG Debbie Vine and husband, Larry, PCC Chairs Ralph and Joan Williamson, Zone 1 Chair Brent Huddelson, Zone 5 Chair Paul Yopps and his wife, Cabinet Treasurer Rudy Diaz and wife, Frances, PID Dave Roberts and PDG Ann Roberts.



PCC Ralph Williamson, CT Rudy Diaz, DG Gary L. White, Club President James Seifert, Paul Yopps, Zone 5 Chairperson, IPDG Debbie Vine, PID Dave Roberts.

Front Row PCC Joan Williamson and PDG Ann Roberts.



Ajo Club President, James Seifert and Paul Yopps, Zone 5 Chairperson

District Governor 21B Column



Just Imagine ---

By DG Karen Sell

Wow - what a district.

As Karen Taylor-Good sang at convention - "you really are the Best". By the way, we are going to have an MP3 of that song available for you soon. Watch the weekly News You Can Use for details.

Membership growth - definitely the best. We have brought in 187 new members so far this year. People like what Lions do - and what we stand for. Clubs that have done community needs assessments are finding new members as they begin to work on those newly identified needs.

Retention - having a tougher time there. We have lost 111 members so far this year.

But that leaves us with a plus 76 as of mid March. HOORAY!

So what is working? Sometimes just asking what your members want is important. If you have not done a club assessment in your club in the last two years, now would be a great time so that your new officers have some time to digest the findings and decide how to proceed. And if you would like to talk with someone about options for growth - give me a call - 520 743-0785.

Of our dropped members this year, 14 have been due to death. Many more of the drops likely can be attributed to aging out - Lions who move to be with family or no longer can take part. But smart clubs are taking that attrition into account when they set their goals - if you know that you will likely have X drops this year, you know how many new Lions you have to bring in just to stay even. And then you can get to work.

These clubs are growing!

And speaking of goals - here's an interesting trend. The clubs that set membership goals are growing! Gold Canyon and Cochise Stronghold both are up 4, Mesa Fountain of the Sun is up 17%. Mesa Leisure World is plus 35% and Gilbert up a whopping 50%. Tucson Leones de la Noche is a small club but they set a membership goal and have grown by 29% so far this year. The tiny Marana Branch at Catalina Oro Valley brought in 25 new members in about two weeks - because they set themselves a goal - and a deadline to meet it.

Lions of Arizona are celebrating our 90th birthday this year. If your club is serious about continuing the Lions tradition for a few more years, membership planning is a good thing. Send your membership chairman to Officer Training April 13 in Peoria or April 20 in Tucson. It's FREE!

I will be facilitating the class in Tucson and would love to work with each and every club. Bring your own good ideas. Together we really can change the chart!

On Sunday, March 10, 2013 ten Gold Canyon Lions met at Prospector Park in Apache Junction to volunteer their help with the Community Alliance Against Family Abuse (CAFA) 5K. Several members helped with registration, giving out water and as trail guides. There were about 80 runners in the 5K.

Pictured L/R:

Linda Storbakken, Terry Storbakken, Ray Nelson, Jim Rutkowski, Nan Rutkowski, Del Dostalek, Mike Weaver, Bonnie Weaver, Rip Sartell, Char Picek.



The Lions of 21-B Celebrate in Tucson

Saturday, March 16 started out as a beautiful sunny day in Tucson, Arizona, where the Lions of District 21-B were gathered for their annual District Convention. DG Karen Sell lead the assembly though the business of the Cabinet Meeting, followed by nominations for District Governor, and First and Second Vice District Governors for 2013 - 2014. The hungry Lions then broke for lunch, highlighted by very special entertainment from Lion Karen Taylor-Good and her singing/songwriting partner, Stowe Daily Shockey, who had the audience swaying and clapping along to their "Lion-inspired" musical repertoire. Later, after attending two special presentations by Lion Zone Chair Al Lizzaranga and PVDG Su-Lin Trepanitis, the Lions of 21-B regrouped for the election results. In a room filled with balloons, noisemakers and rowdy Lions, Election Chair Lion Mimi Wittenborn introduced the newly elected DG Team for 2013 - 2014, DGE Sally Hanson, of the Sun Lakes Lions Club, 1st VDGE Larry Palmer, also of Sun Lakes, and 2nd VDGE Barbara Daily of the South Tucson Lions Club. DG Karen joined the group as the Lions present at the celebration greeted and congratulated the new District Governor team. DGE Sally thanked the membership for the vote of confidence and remarked that the team will have big shoes to fill as current DG Karen Sell has led the district to a membership increase of 75 so far this year, along with other major accomplishments for the district.



2nd VDGE Barbara Daily, 1st VDGE Larry Palmer, DGE Sally Hanson, DG Karen Sell



Lion Karen Taylor-Good & Stowe Daily Shockey

Paying tribute to an old friend

By Lion Carolyn Vessels
Contributing writer

Several members of the Safford Lions Club paid a visit to Haven Health Nursing Home recently to honor longtime Lion and nursing home resident Manuel "Friday" Hernandez. Hernandez is well known and loved for his many years of service to the community, not only in the Lions Club, but also in the Mt. Graham Regional Medical Center Auxiliary.

Local musical trio Tribute entertained Hernandez and a room full of residents with country and pop hits as well as patriotic songs. The group's name refers to the tribute its members pay to the American flag and what it represents. Carl Watson, one of the trio, said, "It is a privilege to be here today to sing for you and to honor our fellow Lion, Friday." Carl and his wife, Sharon, the female voice in the trio, are Lions; the third singer, Joe Goodman, plans to join the Safford Lions soon.

The audience showed its appreciation with clapping, hugging and many words of thanks. Tribute members promised to come back soon.



Tribute entertains Lion Friday Hernandez at Haven Health Nursing Home in Safford. From left are Lions Sharon Watson, Hernandez, Carl Watson and Joe Goodman.

Gold Canyon Lions Present their 9th Annual CASINO NIGHT



Proceeds support Camp Tatiyee for individuals with special needs and Lions Sight and Hearing Programs

**Saturday, April 6th, 2013, 5:00 to 8:30 P.M.
At the MountainBrook Village Superstition Center**

Blackjack, Craps, plus Texas Hold'em and Slot Tournaments, Raffles, Silent Auction, and a Live Auction (For a Cruise and other great items)

**Cost: A \$20 donation per guest, which entitles each guest to:
A \$500 "Casino Cash" voucher and a light meal
(served 5:00 to 6:30pm) – B.Y.O.B.**

Attendance is limited to the first 300 Guests – This Event Sells Out Every Year!

Tickets available at:



- ♦ Mountainbrook Village Activity Office
- ♠ Canyon Rose Storage, 6405 S. Kings Ranch Rd.
- ♥ Gecko Espresso, 5301 S. Superstition Dr.
- ♣ Mountain Brew Coffee House, 6832 S. Kings Ranch Rd.
- ♦ OR Any Lions Club Member

**For Further Information,
Call: 480-474-8115**



Gold Canyon Lions Celebrate 9th Annual Casino Night

Submitted by Lion Bonnie Weaver, Publicity Committee

Gold Canyon Lions are celebrating their 9th annual Casino Night! Please join us for this fun and exciting event. Our largest fundraiser of the year will benefit Camp Tatiyee in Pinetop, Arizona. This is a camp for individuals with special needs. It will also benefit the Lions Sight and Hearing Programs.

Casino night will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2013 between the hours of 5:00 and 8:30 PM at the Mountain Brook Village Superstition Center. Cost is \$20 donation per guest, which entitles each guest to: a \$500 "Casino Cash" voucher and a full Mexican style meal. B.Y.O.B. Soda and bottled water will be available along with

coffee. Attendance is limited to the first 300 tickets sold! This event sells out each year.

Offered will be Blackjack, Craps plus Texas Hold'em and Slot Tournaments along with exciting prizes in raffles, the Silent Auction and a Live Auction (for a cruise and other great items). You won't want to miss this.

If you are a business and you would like to be a sponsor of this event we would love to have you! We need items for the Silent and Live Auction so any help you can give us is appreciated. Please call the information phone number provided below to find out how you can help.

We are a service 501(c)(3) organization that provides time, effort and financial assistance to improve our community. 100% of funds raised are returned back to the community and Lions sponsored projects.

Tickets are available at:

MountainBrook Village Activity Office

Canyon Rose Storage,

6405 S. Kings Ranch Rd.

Gecko Express, 5301 S. Superstition Dr.

Mountain Brew Coffee House,

6832 S. Kings Ranch Rd.

Or any Gold Canyon Lions Club member

For further information call: 480-474-8115.

District Governor 21C Column

From the Pen of DG Carolyn J. White

District 21- C

It's Spring Time!! – time for spring cleaning, gardening, getting out more in public, inviting friends to a Lion's meeting. Have you invited a friend, colleague, neighbor to come to your Lions meeting? If not, Why not? We're always looking for new ideas to help us grow and what better way than with new members.



Don't forget we have our district convention coming up on **April 6th**. Your club Presidents and Secretaries have the registration form or you can get it from the Canyon State Lion. I look forward to seeing all of you at the convention. I think you will enjoy the day and of course we will have some surprises, too.

I want to thank all of our zone chairs who have been doing a fabulous job in their zones. Your hard work is paying off. I am happy to report that we are back up again in count to over 1000. I knew we could do it. We have clubs doing the CEP program and finding that it really helps them grow in membership and strength in their clubs. Let's keep working hard these last few months to bring our membership back up over 1200.

Keep working on International President Madden's theme of Literacy encouraging others to find the opportunities in reading. **SEE YOU AT THE CONVENTION.**

Until next month ----

In Lionism

DG Carolyn J. White

"Helping Others One Day at a Time"

Mesa Host Celebrates 85th Charter Birthday

Saturday evening, January 26th, Mesa Host Lions celebrated their 85th Charter Birthday at the Arizona Golf Resorts with 72 guests in attendance.

His Honor Scott Smith, the Mayor of Mesa, greeted the group with a welcoming speech reminding the group what the Lions mean to Mesa, the State of Arizona and to the citizens of the area with their community service projects.

The guests included many Lion dignitaries from throughout Arizona. Giving the keynote address was 2nd International Lions Vice President Joe Preston, who started his Lion service in 1974 with the Mesa Host Club. He has held local, state offices and is a Past International Lions Director.

His address pointed out what it means to be a Lion and what the Lions of Mesa mean to this community and the world. People with sight and hearing problems are the main thrust of the Lions work, but they do many service projects throughout the world for people in need.

For more information about the Mesa Host Lions and their work for the needy, please contact Club President, Bill Worthington, at 480-985-1834 or see the club web page: www.mesahostlions.org



Mayor Scott Smith



2nd International Lions Vice President Joe Preston

**Growing Membership With Better Leadership
21C Conference & Convention
April 6th, 2013
Payson, AZ**

2:00 pm	Introductions & Program Agenda	PCC Richard O. Brown District 21C GMT
2:05 pm	Leadership Leads to Better Membership	PCC N. Alan Lundgren District 21C GLT
2:25 pm	Membership Growth	ID Brian E. Sheehan Visiting Int'l. Guest
2:45 pm	Women in Lionism	Lion Lori Sheehan Wife of ID Sheehan
3:05 pm	Retention of Friends	PCC Richard O. Brown District 21C GMT
3:25 pm	Club Excellent Process – CEP	PID Dick Sawyer MD 21 GLT
3:45 pm	Extension for Growth	DGE Marc Paquette
4:05 pm	Closing	DG Carolyn White



ID BRIAN E. SHEEHAN, from Bird Island, Minnesota, USA, will be our guest at the District 21C Convention, Saturday, April 6, 2013, Payson United Methodist Church, Payson, Arizona.

DG Carolyn White will convene our annual District Convention beginning with Registration at 8:30 am to 9:30 am with the official convention starting at 9:30 am.

The leadership team has put together a compact ONE-DAY of activities for ALL LIONS, not just presidents and secretaries. So, we urge as many members as possible to attend this great one-day event. We know everyone has a busy schedule so we're trying our best to have things of interest for all members.

The AGENDA for the day is shown below...get your registrations in now to attend this great meeting. Remember, it includes your LUNCH. This is also when our District elects its new leaders for the Lions Year 2013-2014. Get your certification documents in to Cabinet Secretary Marie so you are eligible to vote.

- 8:30 am – 9:30 am Registration & Delegate Certification
- 9:30 am – 10:30 am Cabinet Meeting
- 10:30 am – 11:15 am District Convention – Nominations
- 11:15 am – 11:45 AM Voting
- Noon – 2:00 pm Int'l Luncheon – ID Brian E. Sheehan
- 2:00 pm – 4:05 pm Leadership Programs
 - “Leadership Leads to Better Membership”
 - “Membership Growth”
 - “Women In Lionism”
 - “Retention of Friends”
 - “Club Excellence Process – CEP”
 - “Extension for Growth”

SIGN UP NOW...See you in Payson!!!!



**Bradshaw Mountain
Lions Club**

will be hosting a

**Spaghetti Dinner
and
Live Auction**

**Saturday, April 20th
4 to 7 pm
at The Villages at Lynx
Creek
in the Social Hall - Village
Creek Blvd.**

**\$7.00 per adult
\$3.00 kids ten and under**

Tickets available at the door.



**All proceeds go to providing eyecare for
residents in our community.**



21C District Convention
 Payson United Methodist Church
 414 N Easy Street
 Payson, AZ 85541



April 6, 2013

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____
 _____ ZIP: _____

DISTRICT OFFICE: _____

CLUB: _____ OFFICE: _____

Registration Fee – INCLUDES HOT LUNCH _____ @ \$ 25.00 \$ _____

AGENDA

8:30 am – 9:30 am	Registration – Delegate Certification
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Cabinet Meeting
10:30 am – 11:15 am	District Convention
11:15 am – 11:45 am	Voting
Noon – 2:00 pm	Luncheon – ID Brian Sheehan, International Guest
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	SPECIAL PROGRAMS "WHY did YOU become a lion?" "How Do we GROW?" "Why Should we GROW?"

Make checks **PAYABLE** to: **District 21C**

REMIT TO: District 21C
 C/O Overgaard Ponderosa Lions Club
 P O Box 402
 Overgaard, AZ 85933

Directions: The church is located at the corner of Zurich & Easy Streets. Zurich is the 2nd street north of the Intersection of Beeline Hwy & State Route 260. Turn right off of the Beeline Hwy at Zurich and proceed east to Easy Street. Parking is located on the north and south sides of the church.

Arizona Lions Vision Center Mobile Eye Unit Stays on the Move

The Mobile Medical Eye Unit of your Arizona Lions Vision Center has been traveling across Arizona providing eye care to residents in communities where there is little to no service to fill their eye care needs that they can afford. We are proud to be able to provide eye examinations and eyeglasses to residents with these mobile clinics.

Donations from Lions Cubs in MD21 provide a big portion of funds needed to provide this service throughout the state. We also are grateful to eye specialists who volunteer their time, expertise and talent to provide eye exams and prescribe glasses to individuals. Eye care services are made possible through the generosity of doctors who volunteer their time to perform eye exams and prescribe glasses to individuals without the financial resources to afford such eye care. To give you an idea where we have traveled over the past six months, our Arizona Lions Mobile Eye Unit has been busy.



- 10/20/12 – Vernon, AZ , sponsored by Show Low Lions Club - Dr. Ray Zimmerman
- 10/25/12 – Heber-Overgaard, AZ, sponsored by Ponderosa Lions – Dr. Christian Risser
- 10/27/12 – Willcox, AZ, sponsored by Willcox Eye Clinic, U of A – Dr. A. J. Sanan
- 10/31/12 – Vaya Chin, AZ, sponsored by Tohono O' Odham – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 11/9/12 - Ajo, AZ, sponsored by Ajo Lions Club – Dr. Lawrence Kahn
- 11/16/12 – Bisbee, AZ, sponsored by Copper Queen Hospital – Dr. Thomas McPhee
- 11/19/12 – San Xavier Elder Center, sponsored by Tohono O'Odman Nation and University of Arizona
- 12/1/12 - Mammoth, AZ, sponsored by San Pedro Valley Lions Club – Dr. Richard Lewis
- 12/3/12 - Sunsites, AZ. sponsored by Cochise Stronghold Lions Club – Dr. Ricardo Aviles
- 12/13/12 – Chuichu, AZ, sponsored by Tohono O'Odham Nation – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 1/17/13 - Phoenix, AZ, State Capital Glaucoma Screening – Dr. Robert Spumy
- 1/19/13 - Florence, AZ, sponsored by Florence Women's Assoc – Dr. Craig Suiter
- 1/30/13 - San Miguel, AZ, sponsored by Tohono O'Odham Nation – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 2/6/13 - Gila Bend, AZ, sponsored by Gila Bend Lions Club – Dr. Marc Brooks
- 2/8/13 - Ajo, AZ. Sponsored by Ajo Lions Club – Dr. Lawrence Kahn
- 2/13/13 - Toawa, AZ, sponsored by Tohono O'Odham Nation – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 2/23/13 - Aquilla/Wickenburg, AZ, sponsored by Wickenburg Lions Club – Dr. Steven Mortensen
- 2/25/13 - Salome, AZ, sponsored by Salome Lions Club – Dr. Anuradha Patuni
- 2/27/13 - Sil Nakya, sponsored by Tohono O'Odham Nation – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 3/1/13 - Shuk Toak District Office, sponsored by Tohono O'Odham Nation – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 3/8/13 - Florence Caliente – Dr. Johan VanDalen
- 3/9/13 - Florence, AZ, sponsored by Florence Women's Club – Dr. Dennis Cooper
- 3/14/13 - Oracle, AZ, sponsored by Oracle Eye Clinic – Dr. Brock Bakewell
- 3/16/13 - Tonto Basin, AZ, sponsored by Kiwanis Club – Dr. Christian Risser
- 3/20/13 - Gu Vo, AZ, sponsored by Tohono O'Odham Nation – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 4/2/13 - Santa Rosa, AZ, sponsored by Tohono O'Odham Nation – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 4/4/13 - Pisinemo, AZ, sponsored by Tohono O'Odham Nation – Dr. Ronn Johnson
- 4/11/13 - Patagonia, AZ, sponsored by Patagonia Eye Clinic – Dr. Christen Carter
- 4/13/13 - Arivaca, AZ sponsored by Arivaca Eye Clinic – Dr. Richard Marcello
- 4/23/13 – Sunsites, AZ, sponsored by Cochise Stronghold Lions Club – Dr. Ricardo Aviles

We thank the doctors - who unselfishly volunteer their time, expertise and talent - Lions and community leaders throughout our state - who support our efforts in helping individuals who need our help and come to us, knowing we will do all we can to provide them with professional eye care that will enrich their lives.

LUGGAGE FROM LIONS!



They take up space in the garage or closet! You want an excuse to buy some that are lighter weight! You know what I'm talking about – those old pieces of luggage that are still in good condition, but aren't really what you want to take on your next trip!

Let's be realistic. There are many people that would be glad to receive older luggage that is still in good condition – no gashes, zippers that zip, locks that lock and if they have wheels – they roll. 21A is still collecting luggage, totes and back packs. These hand-me-down pieces go to women's shelters, foster care homes and assorted agencies. Recently we sent 42 pieces to foster care and 92 pieces to a state agency.

We're ready to start collecting again! Where do we find luggage? Ask Lion Bill Wentling and his Sun City Host crew. We really appreciate the many pieces of luggage they turned in. Some people go to church rummage sales or ask their neighbors. We store the luggage at the Sun Cities Foundation building. Call Lion John Bliss (623-815-1081) or PDG Ann Roberts (602-618-9653) to make arrangements to get them into that location.

Submitted by the Luggage Lady!
PDG Ann Roberts

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH THROUGH COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

By PCC John Hart, MD-21 GMT Coordinator

Is your club involved in your community? Is that involvement visible to a large number of its citizens? Is the Lions logo recognized throughout the community? And finally, is the community involved with your club's activities. These questions came to mind while canvassing for members for a new Lions Club when we found that many people either had no idea what Lions do or what the Lions logo stands for. At about the same time, Lion Dave Cederholm called relating comments he had heard from members of the public. It seems that even with all that we do in our communities; our fellow citizens have no idea what we are all about. How can we correct this issue?

The answers to these questions are, no doubt, multitude but let's take a look at a few possibilities. First, are your service projects visible to the public? Perhaps you collect used eyeglasses. Your community knows that the glasses are collected but do they know what happens with them? This would make a great human-interest story if presented to a local newspaper or perhaps as a radio or television interview. Does your club provide eye exams and glasses for the poor? Only those who receive these services are aware of the service provided and probably are not candidates for club membership. Again, this could be a great human-interest story for the community media.

Is there a service opportunity for your club that would be very visible to the community but which you are not aware of? A Community Needs Assessment can help you identify such a service activity with the additional benefit of introducing your club to community leaders including political, educational and business.

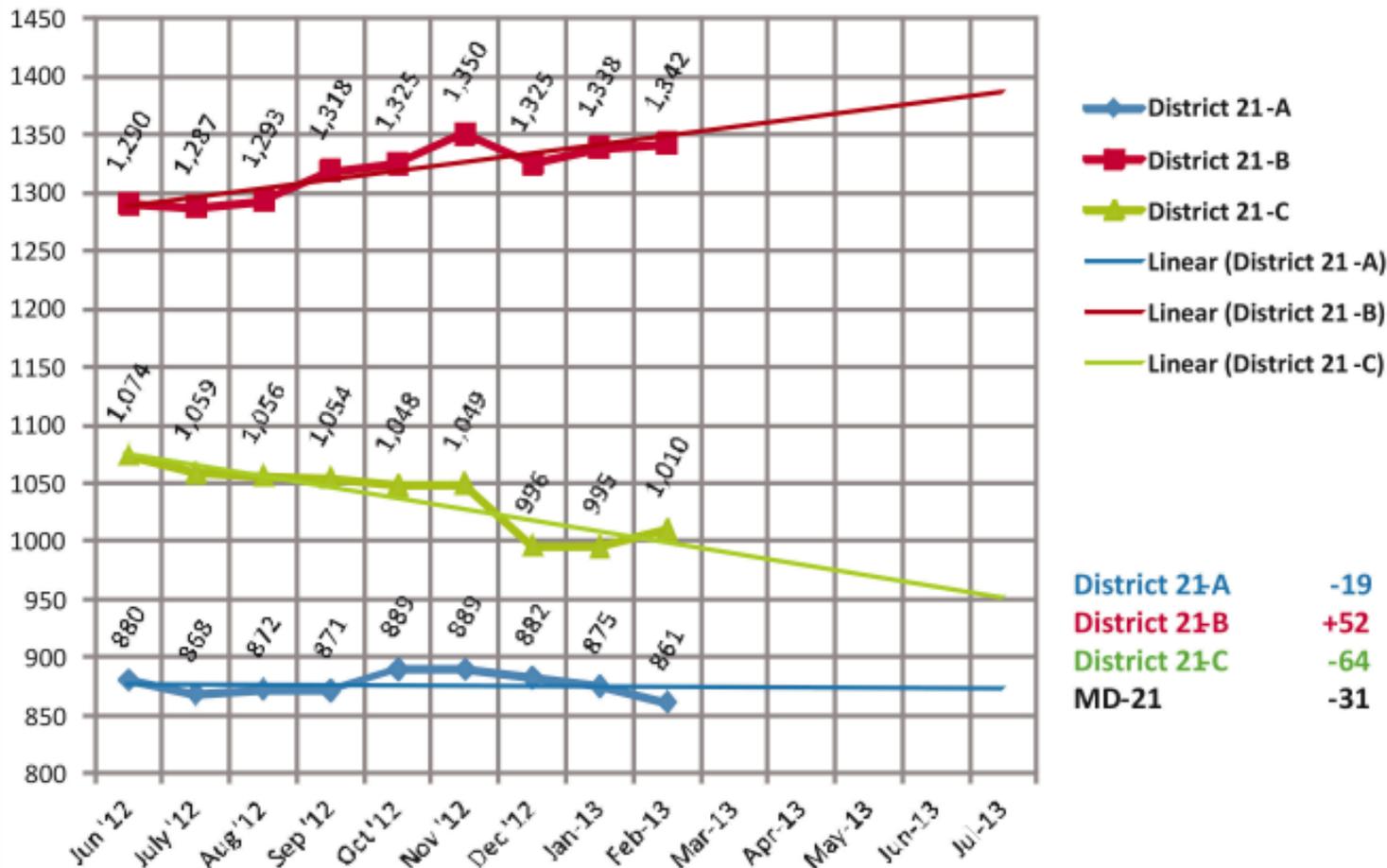
These thoughts are only a few ideas of what your club can do to increase community awareness of your club and have the additional benefits of being free of charge and the possibility of attracting new, quality members to your club.

This month's attaboys-and-girls go to District 21-B leadership, membership, clubs and Lions who continue to work so very hard to increase community service through increased membership. As of February 28th, the district leads the multiple district with a net gain of 52 members. Congratulations all.

Another attaboys-and-girls goes to District 21-C leadership, membership, clubs and Lions who have started to bend their membership curve upwards. Keep up the good work.

District 21-A leadership, membership, clubs and Lions continue to work hard to increase their numbers and only need have a net gain of 20 members (less than one per club) to finish the year with a positive gain. Let's go get 'em gang!

2012-2013 MD-21 Membership Data By District





OKTOBERFEST

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Come join the Lions of Multiple District 21 at the Mesa Hilton Hotel, May 17th thru 19th, 2013, as we celebrate the end of another fantastic year of LIONISM in the great MD21 Arizona and usher in our new officers for the Lions Year 2013-2014.

The Convention will begin on Friday afternoon with Registration and Delegate Certification starting at 1:00 o'clock. The opening session will commence at 1:30pm and will be followed by the MD21 Council Meeting from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. After dinner on your own, join us Pool Side for refreshments and entertainment...no charge for all registered Lions, Lioness & Leos...and then Hospitality Rooms will be open in the evening.

Registration and delegate certification will continue on Saturday, May 18th, beginning at 7:30 am. Pin Trading will be in full force. The Annual meeting of the Past District Governors' Association will be at 7:00 am followed by the Re-convened General Session at 8:45am-9:45am. This will be followed by the MD21 Memorial Service at 9:45am and the District Cabinet Meetings at 10:45am to noon.

Then join us at the International Luncheon to hear ID Carolyn Messier, our International Guest, as she shares Lionism with the Lions of MD21. This is an event you do not want to miss. The afternoon will be filled with Leadership Training Seminars and the Annual Reports from our Multiple District Projects.

THEN LET THE PARTY BEGIN...

Since many of you will not be able to join us in Hamburg at the International Convention, we are bringing a taste of Germany to Arizona on Saturday night, with our own **MD21 Arizona Oktoberfest Celebration**.

With Beer Braised Short Ribs, Sauerkraut and warm German Potato Salad, Black Forest Cake...beers of your choice (and other libations)...and dancing to the music of The Exit 40 Band a FUN EVENING IS PLANNED. NO SPEECHES...NO PROTOCOL...just a good time with your fellow lions.

Sunday morning kicks off with the District Awards Breakfast, followed by voting for directors of our Multiple District Projects and then the Closing Session of the MD Convention. Join in the presentation of our New Officers for 2013-2014, MD Awards, the election results, the Parade of Checks AND a grateful THANK YOU to this years' Council of Governors.

All in all, a great weekend of fellowship AND education is planned for the Lions, Lioness and Leos of MD21. Get your room reservations now...send in your registration...get your delegates certified to vote...BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, come join us for a GREAT CONVENTION!!!

PCC N. Alan Lundgren, Convention Chairman



**Multiple District 21 Convention
MESA HILTON EAST
Mesa, Arizona
May 17, 18, & 19, 2013
REGISTRATION FORM**



MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND ALL EVENTS

NAME: _____ SPOUSE: _____

(Use one form for each Lion)

(Non Lion, if attending)

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

ZIP: _____

DISTRICT: (circle ONE) 21A 21B 21C

CLUB: _____ OFFICE: _____

Registration Fee (Before May 1st, 2013)	_____ @	\$ 30.00	\$ _____
Friday Evening Pool Side Entertainment	_____ @	No Chg	\$ _____
Saturday International Luncheon	_____ @	\$ 30.00	\$ _____
Saturday Evening Oktoberfest & DANCING	_____ @	\$ 45.00	\$ _____
Sunday Awards Breakfast	_____ @	\$ 25.00	\$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Registration Fee (After May 1st, 2013)	_____ @	\$ 35.00	\$ _____
Friday Evening Pool Side Entertainment	_____ @	No Chg	\$ _____
Saturday International Luncheon	_____ @	\$ 32.50	\$ _____
Saturday Evening Oktoberfest & DANCING	_____ @	\$ 47.50	\$ _____
Sunday Awards Breakfast	_____ @	\$ 27.50	\$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

DIETARY NEEDS: _____

Make checks PAYABLE to: MD21 Lions Conference

REMIT TO: PCC N. Alan Lundgren
 Scottsdale Lions Club
 2041 N. 87th Way Villa 107
 Scottsdale, AZ 85257
 480-947-4277; 480-947-4366 FAX or LundgrenAndAssoc@aol.com

TO RESERVE A HOSPITALITY ROOM (\$90.00 plus tax PER NIGHT)
 CONTACT: PCC N. Alan Lundgren, 602-510-8432, or e-mail: LundgrenAndAssoc@aol.com

FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS (\$80.00 Standard plus tax - \$90 Deluxe plus tax – rates guaranteed through April 30, 2012)

CALL: Mesa Hilton @ 480-833-5555 or 1-800-544-5866

BE SURE TO INDICATE THAT YOU ARE WITH "THE LIONS"

MULTIPLE DISTRICT 21 CONVENTION MESA HILTON HOTEL May 17th thru 19, 2013

International Director Carolyn A. Messier and her husband, Normand, to be our guests at the upcoming MULTIPLE DISTRICT CONVENTION to be held May 17th thru 19th, 2013, at the Mesa Hilton Hotel, Mesa, Arizona.

Director Messier is the executive director of the Lions Low Vision Center and a low vision therapist. A member of the Windsor Locks Lions Club, and a Lion since 1990, she has held many offices within the association, including club president, cabinet secretary, zone chair, region chair, district membership chair, leadership development chair, vice district governor, district governor, council chair and council secretary/treasurer. She also served as a member of the Memphis USA/Canada Forum Committee, a presenter at the Faculty Development Institute, six DG/VDG schools and several district/state conventions/conferences and a presenter or moderator at five USA/Canada Forums.

In recognition of her service to the association, she has received numerous awards including the Club Lion of the Year, 100% Club President Award, two International President's Certificates of Appreciation, an International President's Leadership Award and an International President's Medal. She is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to her Lions activities, Director Messier is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including being a member of the Association for the Education and Rehabilitation of the Visually Impaired and a board member for the Fidelco Lions Advisory Board and the Connecticut Lions Eye Research Foundation. She has also served as Loyal Shepherd Fellow of the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation and has been honored by the Board of Education Services for the Blind for Outstanding Work with the Visually Impaired.

Director Messier and her husband, Normand, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons.



CALLING ALL LIONS

Yes, I know that it is still 7 months until the November 2013 Mid-Year Leadership Conference, but I do not want to get caught with so much planning to do next fall. Therefore:

Do you have a presentation of interest for our Lions ?

**TECHNOLOGY - LEADERSHIP
- MEMBERSHIP - FUN**

**CLUB OPERATION - MEETING
ATTENDANCE**

PHOTOGRAPHY - LEGAL

Now is the time to put those skills that you have been hiding to use. Help us grow our Lions. Help us offer the best series of workshops ever. Help us make the Mid Year Conference FUN for all who attend.

Please send me your topic and a little outline of what you would plan to cover.

Sessions will be about one hour in length, will you need more time?

Lion Dick Sawyer, PID

MD21 GLT Coordinator

rcsawyer@frontiernet.net

Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of MD21 seeks fellow Lions' assistance

By PDG Tom Simmons

You are probably thinking: "Oh No - Another plea for money!"

Of course we do appreciate your donations that we put to good use by providing eye surgeries and hearing aids to those in need. But we need Lions' power and talent, too! There are vacancies in each MD21 district. If you can commit yourself to helping us in providing the gifts of sight and sound, please consider joining our board of directors.

It's critical to our success to have members from each district to step up and run to fill board vacancies for 21A, 21B and 21C. We definitely need Board candidates from 21 A, B and C. Put your knowledge, talent and enthusiasm to work on a most worthwhile board.

It's easy to get involved! Join us! You may still run for election at our MD21 state convention on May 17, 18 & 19. You need to have your club endorse your candidacy. Then have your club secretary e-mail a message containing your name and club endorsement to our board secretary.

If you prefer to be appointed to a one-year term, instead of seeking election to a three-year-term, you may have your club endorse you for appointment to the LSHF board.

There are other ways to help Sight & Hearing help others. We always need volunteers to help sort glasses, answer telephones and assist in other ways on Wednesdays and Thursdays. You will work closely with our office staff. If you have a few hours to help out please contact Luz Rubio, office administrator, at 602-954-1723.

We wish to thank all of our present and past volunteers who have generously come to the office to sort recycled eyeglasses and perform other helpful tasks. And we also greatly appreciate everyone who collects eyeglasses, sunglasses and reading glasses, as well as hearing aids for us.

We are proud to be a Multiple District 21 project and appreciate that we cannot provide our outstanding sight and hearing service to poverty level Arizonans without your continued help.

Thank you for your ongoing support and I also thank fellow board members for their commitment to provide the best service possible to our customers and fellow Lions. .

PDG Simmons is the board president of the Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation



Lions Camp Tatiyee is Amazing!!

I am writing to tell you how AMAZING Lions Camp Tatiyee is. Without camp Tatiyee I wouldn't be as happy as I am today, even if I am there for only a short time. It means a lot to me going to camp, being with other people who are like me and understand what I go through every day, the troubles and turmoils of being a paraplegic and knowing that at camp I can be myself without the worry of being judged.

Back home I don't have many friends and none that are disabled. They don't understand what I go through on a day in day out basis. I'm sad and lonely a lot of the time. Always wondering what it's like to walk, and to not be limited or excluded in school activities. I have to take medication to not get depressed about it.

I used to be bullied a lot in school. People would cut in front of me in the lunch line and I wouldn't always have time to eat so I would just sit in the corner at lunch by myself trying to not cry, waiting for the bell to ring so I could go to class. Most days I'd come home from school and cry because I felt so alone.

But at camp people are nicer. I feel happy and it's so relaxing when I'm there. I'm not worried about being judged or stressed out about anything. Going to camp is kind of like therapy. We do things like archery and go-carts, stuff I had never done before I went to camp. Everybody is happy and having a good time. We laugh a lot I can't think of one thing wrong with camp except that my time there is too short. I love going so much I always watch the calendar counting down the days till I can go back.

The counselors are so awesome! There is so much love radiating from them. They make sure every single person has a really great time no matter what their disability. They really care about us unconditionally so much that they help us to realize that we can do so much more than what we think, more independent and not have to rely on our families to do things for us. They are amazing people taking the time during their summers to come here; it's truly an act of selflessness.

When I come home things don't stress me out as much. My mom always says I'm more mature after camp and there is always a big change in how I act. I'm a different person. I'm happier, more confident, much more self-sufficient and I'm a lot more self-motivated. I always start off the school year with a really positive attitude.

Camp is soooooo amazing and important to me because it helps me learn to accept myself a little more each year. It gives me the confidence to fight through the tough times, knowing that there is a special place where people like me can go and be accepted, helped, encouraged and treated like an equal, camp is like my happy pill. And at camp I learned that being disabled is what I am. I can't change that so I can't let life get in the way of my happiness, I can't let it bring me down. Maybe I can't stand physically but mentally I can do anything. I can't wait to go back!!!!



This is fun!!

HOBY Arizona to partner with Grand Canyon University as its host university in 2013

(PHOENIX, AZ – February 15, 2013) The Arizona Chapter of Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY), the nation's premier not-for-profit youth leadership development organization, announced that it has reached an agreement with Grand Canyon University to host the 2013 HOBY Arizona Youth Leadership Summit from June 6-9, 2013.

"We are very pleased to be working closely with an outstanding institution of learning like Grand Canyon University. They are an elite school that is dedicated to developing leadership in their students, which is very important to both our organizations," said Ron Gillet, Chairman of the Board for HOBY Arizona.

Grand Canyon University was founded in 1949 and is Arizona's premier private Christian university. GCU is regionally accredited and emphasizes individual attention for both traditional undergraduate students and the working professional in seven colleges: the Ken Blanchard College of Business, the College of Education, the College of Nursing and Health Care Professions, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Theology, the College of Fine Arts and Production, and the College of Doctoral Studies. GCU offers traditional programs on its growing campus, as well as online bachelor's, master's and doctoral programs. The University's curriculum fuses academic and clinical rigor with Christian values to prepare its students to be skilled, caring professionals. For more information about GCU, visit www.gcu.edu.

HOBY Arizona has provided innovative youth leadership training programs in Arizona since 1978. HOBY's Arizona affiliate conducts an annual Leadership Seminar each spring, Community Leadership Education Workshops (CLeWs) throughout the year, and HOBY Horizons Alumni activities. These activities promote democracy, entrepreneurship, and social responsibility. The values of volunteerism and community involvement are particularly emphasized.

For more than 54 years, Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership has helped to cultivate tomorrow's leaders by inspiring a global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation. HOBY programs annually provide nearly 10,000 local and international high school students the opportunity to participate in unique leadership training, service learning and motivation-building experiences. HOBY also provides adults the opportunity to make a significant impact on the lives of youth by volunteering, and today more than 4,000 volunteers and over 385,000 alumni proudly make up the HOBY family. Further information may be obtained at www.hoby.org, or www.hobyarizona.org.



PROPOSED AMENDMENT FOR THE MD21 CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

PREPARED BY THE MD21 CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS AND FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEES

The MD21 Constitution and Bylaws Committee, the MD21 Finance and Planning Committee, and the MD21 Council recommend adoption of the amendments below to ARTICLE VII – Multiple District Revenue and Expenses of the MD21 Constitution at the May 2013 MD21 State Convention in order to adjust the allocation of the annual per capita MD21 dues so that the expenditures are in keeping with the present day needs of the MD21 programs and the MD21 Lions as a whole.

The major goal of these proposed amendments is the effective use of MD21 dues for the benefit of ALL Lions (such as in Leadership and Membership programs). **This is NOT an amendment to change the amount of MD21 dues collected per member; but is simply a reallocation of how the monies collected will be used.**

In summary we are recommending changes in four sections of MD21 Constitution ARTICLE VII – Multiple District Revenues and Expenses: General Administrative Fund, Publication Fund, Promotion Fund, and Activity Fund. We are recommending a reduction in the Publication Fund as a result of savings achieved in going electronic in the distribution of the Canyon State Lion. These savings are transferred to the Promotion and Activity Funds.

Specifically, in the General and Administrative Fund, limits are established on MD21 reimbursement to the three (3) IPDG, three (3) 1st VDG, and three (3) 2nd VDG for expenses to attend the MD21 Council meetings to a flat \$75.00/meeting that they are in attendance up to a maximum of four (4) Council Meetings per fiscal year for each IPDG, 1st VDG, and 2ndVDG. Also the Interactive Technology expenses have been transferred to the Publications Fund.

In the Publication Fund, we are recommending a reduction in Fund Allocation from \$8.90 per member per year to \$7.75 by reducing the allocation for the Canyon State Lion from \$7.15/capita to \$6.00. We are also recommending an increase in MD21 Directory allocation from \$1.25/capita to \$1.35. The "Other Publications" category is being modified to "Internet (Website) & Other Publications with an allocation of \$0.40 per capita. The "Publication Fund" will be retitled the "Publication/IT Fund" to encompass the added interactive technology funding responsibility.

In the Promotion Fund we are recommending an increase in Fund Allocation from \$2.95/capita to \$3.00. Limits are established on MD21 reimbursement to the outgoing District Governors for their expenses to attend the International Convention to a maximum of \$1000.00 per District Governor attending the convention. If any of the outgoing District Governors DO NOT attend the International Convention at the end of their term of office, those funds will automatically revert to the Growth Fund and cannot be used by those outgoing District Governors attending said Convention. The limit for MD21 reimbursement to the International Convention Chairperson for expenses to attend the International Convention is set at \$3000.00. The MD21 \$125.00 reimbursement to the District Governors Elect and to the Outgoing District Governors for Miscellaneous Incidental Expenses while at the International Convention has been eliminated.

In the Activity Fund we are recommending an increase in Fund Allocation from \$0.25/capita to \$1.35 to provide funds for training and other programs for GMT, GLT, Mid-Year Leadership Forum, and DGE School. This represents a major increase in category funding made possible by the dues reallocation effort.

THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE CHANGES TO THE MD21 CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE VII – MULTIPLE DISTRICT REVENUES AND EXPENSES ARE LISTED BELOW:

Section 4, General Administrative Fund, reword Paragraph a. to read:

- The Council Chairperson may be reimbursed for expenses such as travel, per diem, and lodging to attend up to a maximum of four (4) Council meetings during the fiscal year at a maximum total amount not to exceed the amount budgeted for that fiscal year by the MD21 Council. The current rates established by Lions Clubs International for travel, per diem, and lodging and receipts for out-of-pocket expenses will be used to establish the reimbursement.

- Each IPDG, 1stVDG, and 2ndVDG will receive a flat amount of \$75.00 per Council Meeting attended for expenses to attend the Council Meeting up to a maximum of four (4) Council Meetings during the fiscal year.

Section 6, Publications

Change Title to "Publications/IT Fund"

Change allocation in the title sentence from \$8.90 to \$7.75

Paragraph a. Change \$7.15 to \$6.00

Paragraph b. Change \$1.25 to \$1.35

Paragraph c. Change wording to read:

\$0.40 for Internet (Website), other publications, and printing.

Paragraph e. Reword to read:

In the event the District Governors use the Canyon State Lion to publish distribute their monthly District Governor's Newsletter, then each District Governor shall remit the amount mutually agreed upon by the Canyon State Lion Treasurer and the District Governors to the Canyon State Lion Treasurer monthly.

Section 7, Promotion Fund

Change allocation in the title sentence from \$2.95 to \$3.00

Paragraph a. Omit this paragraph in its entirety

Paragraph b. Change the last sentence to read:

Total reimbursements from MD21 funds shall not exceed \$1000.00 for each outgoing District Governor attending the Convention.

Paragraph c. Add a sentence at the end reading:

The total reimbursement from MD21 funds for the International Convention Chairperson when attending the Convention shall not exceed \$3000.00.

Paragraph d. Add a sentence at the end reading:

But the total reimbursement from MD21 funds for the International Convention Chairperson attending the Convention is still limited to \$3000.00

Paragraph f. Change the last sentence to read:

Total reimbursements from MD21 funds shall not exceed \$1100.00 for each 1st Vice District Governor attending the USA Canada Leadership Forum.

Section 8, Activity Fund Rewrite in its entirety to read:

Section 8, Activity Fund. The sum of \$1.35 per capita is allocated each year to the Activity Fund. The fund shall be used to develop training and other programs, such as for GMT, GLT, Mid-year Leadership Forum, and DGE School. The Fund is also a revolving fund to establish a revenue/expense account for projects, such as White Cane, Flags, and Pins, as may be approved by the Council. Funds within this revolving account shall be allowed to accumulate up to \$5000.00. Funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year in excess of \$5000.00 shall be transferred to the Growth Fund.

Scottsdale Lions Club

Presents Electronic Recycling & Paper Shredding



**APRIL 27TH & 28TH
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**LOOK FOR OUR TENT ON
EAST SIDE OF THE
PARKING LOT!**



- Computers
- Printers
- Cell Phones
- Copier Machines
- Telephone Systems
- Video Game Consoles
- Any Used Electronics
Working or Not!



15255 N. Northsight Blvd
Scottsdale, AZ 85260



Payson Lions Celebrate their 50th Anniversary - May 11th

As President of the Payson Lions Club, I would like to remind everyone that our Club will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary at a party the evening of May 11th in Payson at the Mazatzal Casino. Our keynote speaker will be none other than Lions International Second Vice President Joe Preston, Arizona's own native son. Great food, great company, raffle prizes all packaged in a great Rim Country setting. That weekend is also home to the FFA Rodeo and a Wildlife Fair. What more could you ask for??!! Please mark your calendar for this date and plan to join us. For more information, please contact Lion Judy Spivey at (928) 474-8833 or Lion Sandy Phillips at (928) 474-9201. Thanks and we look forward to seeing you. Lion Bill Davis

Scottsdale Lions Club FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Date: April 27th & 28th

Time: 10am-4pm Both Days

Location: Sam's Club 15255 N. Northsight Blvd Scottsdale, AZ 85260

(Eastside of Parking Lot - Cross Streets are Raintree & Hiway 101)

Event: Electronic Recycling & Paper Shredding



The *Lions Club International* is the world's largest Civic Organization and one of the Emergency First Responders world-wide. The *Lions Club International* was founded by an *Arizona Native Melvin Jones* and is sometimes known by a Nickname given by *Helen Keller* as "The Knights of the Blind." One of the clubs main focus is working within our individual communities to help cure preventable blindness diseases such as cataracts, glaucoma, macular degeneration, and others. Locally, the *Scottsdale Lion's* celebrated its 60 Anniversary and operates or supports a variety of local community organizations such as the *Arizona Institute for the Blind*, *Arizona Guide Dogs*, *Camp Tatiyee* (a special needs camp), *Maggie's House* and many other projects.

Scottsdale Lions also have fun helping our community stay a safe, clean place to live, work and play. We are kicking off our **3rd Semi-Annual two day Electronic & Paper clean up April 27th & 28th**. This event is held once again in the Eastside of the **Scottsdale Sam's Club** parking lot off Raintree and Loop 101. During our last event we took in over 250 electronic items such as computers, printers, video game consoles, vacuum cleaners, micro-waves, televisions, and miscellaneous parts & cables. These items would otherwise have been sent to a land fill for disposal.

We work with companies that refurbish usable items and recycle the plastics and metals that are inside the various electronic parts and components we collect. We also do secure document and paper shredding which we also recycle to help our environment.

The cost is **FREE to the public or businesses that bring us their unwanted items**, although we will accept donations to help us with the numerous civic projects that we fund and support throughout the Greater Scottsdale Area. If there is a need collection on a grander scale we will make special arrangements through our recycling contacts. For more information about this project or the Scottsdale Lions Club contact: (see flyer on page

Scottsdale Lions Vice President Terrance Carlson at (480) 244-9348

**Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc.
Request for Board Nominations**

Dear Lions Club President,

Please inform your Club members the Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc. is seeking nominations to its Board of Directors. There are (8) vacancies on the Board as follows: District 21A - (2) 3 year terms and District 21B - (2) 3 year terms, District 21C (2) 3 year terms, (1) 2 year term and (1) one year term for the fiscal year effective on July 1, 2013.

The Lions Foundation provides physical facilities to organizations serving the blind, deaf, and physically handicapped of Arizona. It is also the Information Office for the Lions of Arizona located in Phoenix. The Board meets monthly. The Board is looking for Lions members who have a background in real estate, insurance, money management or general business skills to help shape the direction of the Lions Foundation.

On the following form, please submit candidates' names, addresses, and a brief resume as soon as possible. All nominations must reach our office no later than April 5, 2013.

PDG Fred Garmeson, Secretary
Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc.
3124 E. Roosevelt Rd., Suite 3
Phoenix, Arizona 85008

If anyone is interested in serving on the Board of Directors of the Lions Foundation of Arizona and would like more information, please contact George F. Hill, Executive Director at 602-244-9758.

Yours in Lionism,
PDG Ann Roberts, Board President

Date: _____

PDG Fred Garmeson, Secretary
Lions Foundation of Arizona, Inc.
3124 E Roosevelt St., Suite 3
Phoenix, Arizona 85008



Subject: Nomination to the Board of Directors

At the _____, 2013 meeting of the _____ Lions Club, our Club Member _____ was nominated by the Club, and approved by the Club's Board of Directors to be placed on the ballot for election to the Lions Foundation of Arizona's Board of Directors.

Below is pertinent information on this nominee.

Yours in Lionism,

Secretary - _____ Lions Club

Address: _____

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Name of Nominee: _____

Address of Nominee: _____

City, State, and Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Brief employment history of the Nominee:



**Registration Now Open
1st Annual Lions Camp Tatiyee Run/Walk 'n Roll
Saturday, April 13, 2013**

**Arizona State Schools for the Deaf and for the Blind (ASDB)
1200 E. Speedway, Tucson**

Each week from May until early August, Camp Tatiyee is known as "home away from home" for children or adults with a variety of disabilities and conditions. The campers build bonds with each other and participate in countless activities, free of charge to them through generous donations. It's an amazing week for them and well worth it!

The run/walk 'n roll will raise money for this magical place, "a little place of heaven" by some! Whether you bring your running shoes or your wheels, come join us for fun, running, walking, and raising money for a wonderful cause! Can't attend? Make a donation to support a walker.

Register or sponsor a walker at www.stayclassy.org/camptatiyee. Hope to see you there!



Working Poor Tax Credit



Tax credits providing an easy way to help you help us

Here's How:

1. **DONATE** up to \$400 for couples filing jointly, \$200 for individuals no later than December 31, 2013. (Tax Year 2013)
2. **ITEMIZE** your deductions on Federal Tax Schedule "A" add back on Arizona Schedule "A"
3. **SUBMIT** tax forms with your 2012 Arizona income tax filing (Includes tax forms 321 & 301). On page 1 of Arizona tax form 140, you take a dollar-for-dollar credit. The State of Arizona will reduce the amount you owe in state taxes up to \$400.
4. **INCLUDE** your donation among "Charitable Contributions" when filing your 2012 Federal Tax Return.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Always contact a tax professional for expert advice on your specific tax situation. For more information on this tax credit (ARS 43-1088), please contact the Arizona Department of Revenue at (602-255-3381 or access their web site at www.revenue.state.az.us.

The Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of MD21 is a non-profit, non-sectarian charitable 501(c)(3) organization.

Complete this form and mail to: Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of MD21 – 3427 N. 32nd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85018-5606.

Under the Arizona Charitable Tax Credit Law (ARS 43-1088) for working poor, you can now contribute up to \$400 for couples filing jointly, or \$200 for individuals, to assist Sight & Hear Foundation of MD21 and your generous gift may **COST YOU NOTHING!** This credit is allowed in addition to the tax credit for schools. You will be sent an acknowledgement for tax purposes.

This donation to Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of MD21 may be claimed as an itemized deduction on you Federal tax return.

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

Zip: _____ **Phone** _____

Amount of donation: \$ _____

Please make check payable to:

Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of MD21

Thank you for your help.

Club Secretaries: The Canyon State Lion needs your assistance.

The staff at the Canyon State Lion updates the mailing list and e-mail data base monthly.

Please send us a list of your **NEW and DROPPED** members monthly. We will go into our data base and add new members. Please include their e-mail address, First Name and Last Name. This is the only information we need to add them to the e-mail list. If the new member does not have an e-mail address and wants the Canyon State Lion via US mail then we will need their name, address, city and zip.

If you have any Lions who dropped, then provide their name and e-mail address. We will remove them from our lists.

Please do **NOT** send us your entire club roster. We only need the **NEW and DROPPED** members.

Thank you and we appreciate your assistance in distributing the newsletter to all Lions.

Lions Camp Tatiyee Work Weekends



It's that time of year again; time to plan a weekend to help open your camp!

Our first official work weekend is April 12 to 14 and our second is April 19 to 21.

You can plan a trip to camp and stay over night from Friday to Sunday. We will house you and feed you! You need to bring a sleeping bag or bedding for a twin, the cabins are heated and bathrooms are in the same building.

If you are planning to attend, please call Luke, our Site Manager, or his wife, Jessica, our Event Coordinator at 928-358-2059 to let them know when to expect you, and whether or not you will be staying with us at camp.

This will help us to know how many people to plan for in regards to jobs, beds and food. If you have a specific trade and want to know if help is needed in a particular field, please give them a call. Please plan ahead and help us to make this a great experience for everyone! You are always welcome to bring friends, family members and prospective members. It is a great time to share what Lions do and to meet other Lions from all over the state.

**16th ANNUAL
ARIZONA LIONS DAY AT
CHASE BALL PARK**

****SUNDAY****SUNDAY****SUNDAY****

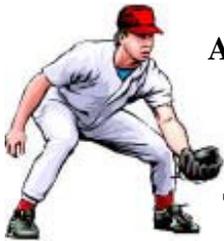
**FOR YOUR
LIONS CAMP TATIYEE
SUNDAY April 28, 2013**

**Seating: Regular Section
Section 221\DIAMOND LEVEL**

**ALL YOU CAN EAT SECTION
HOT DOGS, CHIPS, POPCORN,
PEANUTS, SOFT DRINKS**

**Gates Open At 11:30 A.M.
Game At 1:10 P.M.**

! Cut—Off Date—April 20, 2013



**Arizona Diamondbacks
Vs.
Colorado Rockies**



Tickets are \$40.00/ea.

Need 30 Sponsors For “Challenged Campers”.

**This Being an Afternoon Game Allows
Those Coming From Outside
The Valley To Be Home Early.**

**Have Your Club Or Zone Charter A Bus.
Special Parking, Close To The Park,
Is Available For Buses.**

**Make Checks Payable To Your
“Lions Camp Tatiyee”**

**Mail To: Lions Camp Tatiyee
c/o Pam Swanson
P O Box 6910, Mesa, AZ 85216
Call PCC Ron Brown
623-977-8844**

It's a small thing, but.....

That Lions pin you were given when you were inducted into your Lions club is small, and seemingly innocuous in the bigger scheme of things. Yet it identifies you as a public-spirited individual and a member of the world's largest service organization. It's a badge of honor.



I'm asking you, as a Lion, to wear your Lions pin on your shirt collar or lapel when out and about. Demonstrate your pride in being a Lion and be ready to tell others why you're a Lion and how Lions are helping in your community. Don't be bashful – tell others what we do, and be prepared to hear examples of our past good works played back to you by people who were beneficiaries of our work and are grateful for it.

It's a small thing...., but it has great meaning.

Be proud of it!

Lion Carl Johannesen

Council Chair



**“Congratulations to
Lion Ralph Williamson
on your recent *Goodwill
Ambassador* award from
your friends at
Early Bird Lions.”**



Communication + Inspiration = Leadership

**MULTIPLE DISTRICT 21
BUILDING LEADERSHIP FOR 2013 - 2014**

**Club Presidents/Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Membership Committees
(Other interested Lions)**

CHOOSE YOUR LOCATION

April 13, 2013 Peoria Workshop: Peoria High School, 11200 N. 83rd Ave., Peoria, AZ

April 20, 2013 Tucson Workshop: JTED (Joint Technological Education District)
*2855 W. Master Pieces Drive, Tucson, AZ (on the North side of Tucson)
I-10 exit onto Orange Grove Rd and go east. Turn right (S) on River Road
Turn left on Shannon Rd. Turn right on Master Pieces Dr.*

April 27, 2013 Flagstaff Workshop: NAU, School of Hotel & Restaurant Management
*I-17 turns into Milton Rd. Take Milton to Butler Ave. Turn right, follow to San Francisco and turn right again.
Follow San Francisco, it will jog a little to the right and then back to the left.
At this point you turn right again and find the HRM bldg. on the left.*

TIME: Registration 8:00 am to 8:45 am

START Workshops: 9:00 am **CLOSE:** 12 noon

COST: FREE TO ALL - FREE TO ALL - FREE TO ALL

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 8, 2013

ONLY ONE LION PER REGISTRATION FORM (information can be mailed or emailed)

NAME: _____ **CLUB:** _____

2013-14 OFFICE: _____ **DISTRICT:** _____

LOCATION: _____ PEORIA _____ TUCSON _____ FLAGSTAFF

RETURN APPLICATION TO: MD21 GLT Lion Dick Sawyer
PO Box 1570
Overgaard, AZ 85933
Email: rCSawyer@frontiernet.net

Lions Camp Schedule for 2012-2013

Work Weekends

April 12/13/14

April 19/20/21

Volunteers should call 928-358-2059

April 13

Tucson 5K Run and Roll

May 3rd

Harry Moore Golf Tournament at the Biltmore

Camp Season

May 18-19 Valley Training for Staff

CPR/1st aid & CIT/Autism

May 25 to 31 training week for staff

Camper Weeks

June 2 – August 2nd

OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, June 29

BBQ lunch/tours/entertainment
11 to 4



QUALIFYING CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION: LIONS CAMP TATIYEE

We qualify as a charitable organization under the working poor tax credit. This is not in competition with the school tax credit. You can do both. How does it work?

Donate up to \$400 for couples filing jointly (\$200 for individuals)
on or before December 31st. (Tax Year 2013)

Itemize your deductions of Federal Schedule A

Your add back is done on Arizona schedule A (Arizona will not permit you to take this as a deduction and a credit)

Submit tax forms with your Arizona Income Tax filing. (include tax forms 321 and 301)

On page one of Arizona form 140 you take a **dollar--for--dollar credit**. The State of Arizona **will reduce the amount you owe in state taxes up to \$400.**

Include your donation among Charitable Contributions in filing your Federal Tax return.

Important note: Always contact a tax professional for expert advise on your specific tax situation. For more information on this tax credit (ARS 43--1088), please contact the Arizona Department of Revenue at (602) 255--3381, or access their web site at www.revenue.state.az.us.

Lions Camp Tatiyee is a non--profit, non sectarian charitable organization (501(c)(3)

Go to www.arizonalionscamp.org or complete this form and mail to: Lions Camp Tatiyee PO Box 6910 Mesa, AZ 85216

Under the Arizona Charitable Tax Credit Law (ARS 43--?1088) for the Working Poor, you can now contribute up to \$400 for couples filing jointly (\$200 for individuals) to assist Camp Tatiyee, and your generous gift may COST YOU NOTHING! This Credit is **allowed in addition** to the tax credit for schools.

You will be sent an acknowledgement for tax purposes.

This donation to Lions Camp Tatiyee may be claimed as an itemized deduction on your federal tax return.

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Amount of donation: \$ _____

Make check payable to Lions Camp Tatiyee

News for CSL?

Keep it short!

Submitted by PDG Donna Anderson

A reminder once again to those who are submitting articles to the Canyon State Lion for publication: Keep 'em short!

All Lions are encouraged to submit articles about their club projects, their coming events and other items of interest – but to make the paper interesting and to be able to get the most material in each issue, please watch the length of submissions. About 150-250 words is the desired length. Sometimes items may need to be a bit longer to contain all the pertinent information, but it is also very easy to ramble – so please help by keeping your articles concise as possible.

The staff is also trying to use more pictures of club activities. Please submit all pictures via e-mail to: (submit pictures as a file attachment NOT embedded into the body of the e-mail.)

canyonstatelion@lionsarizona.org

Try to make the pictures interesting, with action, not just a group of people facing the camera, if at all possible.

The advisory editor, a volunteer for the position with newspaper background, will be reviewing all articles and pictures for pertinence. "We want to make this an interesting publication that all Lions will enjoy reading," she said.

Family Unit

Submitted by Lion Joseph Jones

Are you a Lion with 1 or more family members who are also Lions in your club living at the same residence and only want to receive one copy of The Lion Magazine?

Here are some solutions:

Lions International suggests that you drop off the extra copy at your local public or school library, mail it to a local government leader, or place it in a waiting room at your place of business or any other suitable location. This way, non-Lions can access information about the association and its programs.

Have your Secretary update your membership to a Family Unit*. Instructions for your Secretary can be found at the following web site:

www3.lionsclubs.org/docs/family_unit_instructions_EN.pdf

*Family Unit applies to existing or new Lions in and/or joining the same club and living in the same household related by birth, marriage and other legal means - such as parents, children, spouses, aunts/uncles, cousins, grandparents and in-laws of spouses. Outside of the head-of-household, the associated members get half off of their International Dues.

MD21 CANYON STATE LION COMMON ADVERTISEMENT SIZES & PRICES PER ISSUE

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- NON LIONS (COMM.) RATE IS 5.00 PER COLUMN INCH = \$40.00/ISSUE

1 COLUMN WIDE BY 4 INCHES DEEP = 4 COLUMN INCHES

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- NON LIONS (COMM.) RATE IS 5.00 PER COLUMN INCH = \$20.00/ISSUE

Do you want to submit an ad, article, picture or form to the Canyon State Lion?

Submitted by Diana Koshever

Submitting articles, forms and pictures are very easy. The following are the acceptable formats for submissions:

Articles = Word document, 11 point Ariel Narrow font and 150 words or less.

Pictures = JPEG or Bitmap (as a file attachment via e-mail) Only one picture per article.

Advertisements = JPEG or Bitmap (as a file attachment via e-mail)

Registration Forms can be Word, JPEG or Bitmap.

Please contact PDG Les Daviet, II, Editor/Publisher for size, length or publication and price details before submitting the item. Please contact PDG Les at: lesdavietii@cs.com

PDF files are NOT compatible with the desktop publishing program used to produce the Canyon State Lion. So many times Lions submit a PDF file for their forms, ads, etc. **PDF files can be viewed by anyone but CANNOT be inserted into the paper.**

Please do not mail in an article (typed or handwritten) or a picture. I do not have a scanner and cannot retype your article or scan your picture.

Please send all of your articles, pictures, forms, and ads via e-mail.

The e-mail address to the Canyon State Lion is: canyonstatelion@lionsarizona.org.

ALL submissions are due the 15th of each month for the following issue. i.e. items received on July 15 will be inserted into the August 2012 issue.

Please e-mail PDG Les Daviet, II. lesdavietii@cs.com or call him at 602-525-2377 if you have any questions.

Is your club having a fundraiser or event? Why not let everyone know about it! E-mail your information and flyer to your District Information Technology Chairperson / Web Master and have it published on the District web site. Visitors will be able to view and print your flyer right from their computer.

The official web site for the MD21 is now;

www.LionsArizona.org

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NEW CANYON STATE LION E-MAIL ADDRESS

canyonstatelion@lionsarizona.org

We are moving along with improving the delivery system for the Canyon State Lion.

Effective July 1, 2012, our new e-mail address for submitting articles is: canyonstatelion@lionsarizona.org. We will continue to monitor our old e-mail address at Yahoo. We want to make sure none of your articles are missing in this transition period.

The Canyon State Lion is e-mailed to over 2,000 Lions in Multiple District 21.

Please inform us via e-mail if you have any changes to your e-mail address. We update our list monthly so hopefully you will not miss any issues. I want to remind everyone you can always view the current and past issues of the Canyon State Lion on the Multiple District web site at: www.LionsArizona.org.

If you are receiving the Canyon State Lion via US mail please send any address changes to my e-mail address: lesdavietii@cs.com or you can mail your updated mailing address to:

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Yours in Lionism,

PDG Les Daviet, II, Editor

Recycle Your Old Cell Phones



Please donate your cell phones to Arizona Lions Vision Center. All proceeds go to help children with eye glasses.



Please call Jeannette F. Russell at 602-267-7573 if you have any questions.

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Calendar of Events

2013

Apr	5 – 7	21C Convention	Payson	
Apr	6	Glendale Evening Longhaven (GELL), Texas Hold-Em Tournament	Phoenix	Al Coir 623-341-0604
Apr	6	Gold Canyons Lions Club, 9th Annual Casino Night, Mountain Brook Village Superstition Center,		480-754-8115
Apr	12 – 14	Lions Camp Tatiyee, Work Weekends	Lakeside/Pinetop	Volunteers should call 928-358-2059
Apr	13	Lions Camp Tatiyee, Tucson 5K Run and Roll	Tucson	
Apr	13	Club Officer Workshop	Peoria	PID Dick Sawyer 928-535-5563
Apr	19 – 21	Lions Camp Tatiyee, Work Weekends	Lakeside/Pinetop	Volunteers should call 928-358-2059
Apr	20	Club Officer Workshop	Tucson	PID Dick Sawyer 928-535-5563
Apr	27	Club Officer Workshop	Flagstaff	PID Dick Sawyer 928-535-5563
Apr	27	Pride of the Lions Charity Golf Tournament, Legacy Golf Resort	Phoenix	Howard Arntz 602-943-5793 or John Miller 602-418-3703
May	3	Lions Camp Tatiyee, Harry Moore Golf Tournament at the Biltmore	Phoenix	
May	4	2013-14 2nd VDG School	Phoenix	PID Dick Sawyer 928-535-5563
May	5	"Drive Fore Sight" Golf Tournament, Benefits Camp Tatiyee		Dom Dominice 520-323-2522
May	11	Florence Lions Club Annual Golf Tournament		Beth Beatty 520-510-9811 beatty.beth@gmail.com
May	17	Fourth Council Meeting (C), Mesa Hilton	Mesa	
May	17 – 19	State Convention, Mesa Hilton	Mesa	
Jun	29	Lions Camp Tatiyee, Open House, BBQ lunch/tours/entertainment, 11 to 4	Lakeside/Pinetop	

MD-21 Schedule of Events - 2013

Apr 5-7, 2013	21-C Convention	Payson
May 17, 2013	<u>Fourth</u> Council Meeting (C)	Mesa Hilton
May 17-19, 2013	State Convention	Mesa Hilton

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