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Vine Appointed as CC

The 1st Vice District Governors are pleased to announce the selection of IPDG Debbie Vine as Council Chair for 2013 – 2014.

Debbie brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to our team as a 25+ year Lion member and leader," VDG Robin Daviet of District 21A explains.

PDG Debbie shows the energy and insight that will help the new Governors with changes that are needed for the multiple and that will require teamwork, new ideas and the help of all Lion leaders in our state," VDG Marc Paquette of District 21C notes.

PDG Debbie is a member of the Peoria Sunset Lions Club, a graduate of both the Lions Faculty Development Institute (2007) and the Senior Lions Leadership Development Institute (2009). She has been named Lion of the Year twice during her years of service in Lions and is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

VDG Sally Hanson of District 21B states, "Robin, Marc and I look forward to forming a cohesive Council with IPDG Debbie as our mentor and advisor. We intend to form a strong Council dedicated to continuing the cooperation needed at the Multiple District level to build on the commitment to service shown by our clubs and make the improvements and changes that are necessary to move us through the 21st century."



IPDG Debbie Vine

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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

MD21_webmaster@LionsArizona.org

D21A_webmaster@LionsArizona.org

D21B_webmaster@LionsArizona.org

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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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E-mail articles to:

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All MD-21 Lions are invited to submit articles and photographs (black and white or color are acceptable). Photographs submitted can be originals or digital files sent via e-mail. The Canyon State Lion reserves the right to edit for length and grammar.

Opinions expressed herein are those of the authors, and may not necessarily be those of the staff of the Canyon State Lion, the MD21 Canyon State Lion Operations Committee or the MD21 Council of Governors.

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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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Our goal is to provide the Canyon State Lion newspaper timely to all Lions in MD21.

Yours in Lionism,
PDG Les Daviet, II, Editor

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 and the Canyon State Lion?

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.

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.



MD-21 Schedule of Events 2012-13

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| Feb 15, 2013 | <u>Third</u> Council Meeting (A) | Blue Water Resort Parker |
| Feb 15-16, 2013 | 21-A Convention | Blue Water Resort Parker |
| Mar 16, 2013 | 21-B Convention | Tucson |
| 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 |



The Arizona Chapter of Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY), the nation's premier not-for-profit youth leadership development organization, announced today the election of Darin Shebesta, CFP as President of its board of directors. Ron Gillet was elected Chairman of the Board.

"Darin has been with our Board for awhile now, and he brings a passion and commitment to youth that embodies HOBY's core values and goals," said Ron Gillet, new Chairman of the board of directors of the Arizona Chapter of HOBY. "Darin will provide the leadership HOBY Arizona needs".

Shebesta is a Certified Financial Planner, and is AVP/Wealth Advisor at Jackson Financial Advisors in Scottsdale. Darin is a graduate of ASU's W.P. Carey School of Business and Barrett Honors College. Darin is also heavily involved in the financial planning community as a member of the Financial Planning Association of Greater Phoenix. Darin is also a member of the W.P. Carey School of Business Alumni Board.

"At no other time has the development of leadership skills within our community of young people been more critical," said Shebesta. "The young leaders that come through our programs will need to rise to the challenges and opportunities of a 21st century global community and will play a vital role in shaping the world around us."

Gillet's association with HOBY began in 1986 as a guest speaker at a HOBY leadership seminar in Montana. Since that time, Gillet has served as a key volunteer within the organization in a variety of capacities, including leadership seminar chair in Arizona, corporate board president of the Arizona HOBY affiliate, volunteer district director of the Southwest District of HOBY, Chairman of the HOBY International Board of Trustees and he currently serves as chairman of the HOBY International Board of Governors.

"Contributing to young people's development as leaders continues to be a lifelong priority for me," Gillet said.

A 27-year veteran of the financial services industry, Gillet currently serves as Bank Operations Manager for State Farm Bank's Mortgage Loan Services Division, with offices in Tempe, Arizona. A resident of Tempe, Gillet is a former Kiwanian and is currently a member of the Sun Lakes Lions Club in Sun Lakes, Arizona.

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.

MD21 CANYON STATE LION COMMON ADVERTISEMENT SIZES & PRICES PER ISSUE

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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 31, 2013. (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



MELVIN JONES LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL ELECTIONS ANNOUNCEMENT

January 15, 2013

The purpose of the Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial is "to develop, sustain and promote the ideals of Lions Clubs International by showcasing a legitimate legacy of voluntary humanitarian services through community involvement and through cooperation of the Lions of the world." We are fortunate that the one whose dream it was "To Serve," Melvin Jones, was born in our State. Maintaining and sustaining the Memorial in Arizona guarantees that our "roots" will never diminish or fade away. The Memorial needs Board members who will be active and will work to keep the dream alive.

MD21 Lions who share this "dream" are encouraged to become members of the MJLIM Board. To become a Director, your club must submit a "Letter of Nomination" to the MJLIM Secretary signed by the Club President, Secretary or Treasurer and post marked not later than March 18, 2013. **Your Nomination Letter MUST state which one of the below listed positions you are seeking.** Your name will be placed on the ballot for election at the Multiple District Convention May 17th – 19th.

The following positions will be vacant.

Term 2013 through 2014: District 21A, one position
District 21C, one position

Term 2013 through 2015: District 21A, one position
District 21B, one position
District 21C, two positions

Term 2013 through 2016: District 21A, two positions
District 21B, two positions
District 21C, two positions

Letters must be sent to MJLIM Secretary, David Kennon, 8955 E. Millett Drive, Tucson, AZ 85710.

Nomination to the Board of Directors



LIONS CAMP TATIYEE SECRETARY

Sherman McCutcheon
409 N. Corsica Place
Chandler, AZ 85226



Must be submitted to the above name and address
No later than March 16, 2013

Club Name: _____

Lions Club Member: _____

Was nominated by our club and approved by our Club's Board of Directors to serve on Lions Camp Tatiyee Board of Directors.

Secretary: _____ Dated: _____

Please fill in Candidate's personal information.....

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please give a brief history of the Candidate:

Please give the above candidate careful consideration before nominating them to the Camp Tatiyee Board of Directors. We ask the club to seriously consider their recommendations, as these candidates may become representatives for the Lions of Arizona. The candidate must be committed, able to attend board meetings regularly and willing to work as part of a team to do what it takes for the good of the camp.

BUILDING MEMBERSHIP PCC John Hart

Well... In December, we survived the Mayan calendar debacle and our own calamity, the December Membership Massacre but only just barely. While all three districts took a membership hit in December, two of our districts, 21-A and 21-B, remain positive for the year while District 21-C's decline continues. See chart below.

Lions Clubs International has provided us with the best tools we have ever had, at least during my Lions experiences, to address membership issues. However, like all tools, these tools cannot be left lying around on the workbench but rather must be taken up and used by skilled builders if we are to reconstruct the membership in our clubs.

The first tool a builder uses is the construction plan. Club presidents, what is your membership construction plan? Have you taken it out, dusted it off and reviewed it to determine if it is up to date with the realities of today? Is it time to revise your membership plan? Is it time for a membership meeting to take a critical look at your membership plan and make midcourse corrections? Now is the time to do so.

The next tool a builder needs is a construction crew led by dedicated and knowledgeable foremen. Your club members comprise your membership construction crew while your membership committee members comprise your foremen.

The third tool a builder uses is a measurement tool. Again, LCI has provided us with excellent measurement tools and again, they cannot be left lying around on the tool bench. We have to put these tools to work for us. These tools include the Community Needs Assessment and the How Are Your Ratings Survey. These two measurements tools

will help you determine if your projects meet the real needs of your community and if your members are happy and involved in club activities. The Club Excellence Process combines these and other tools to assist with making effective measurements.

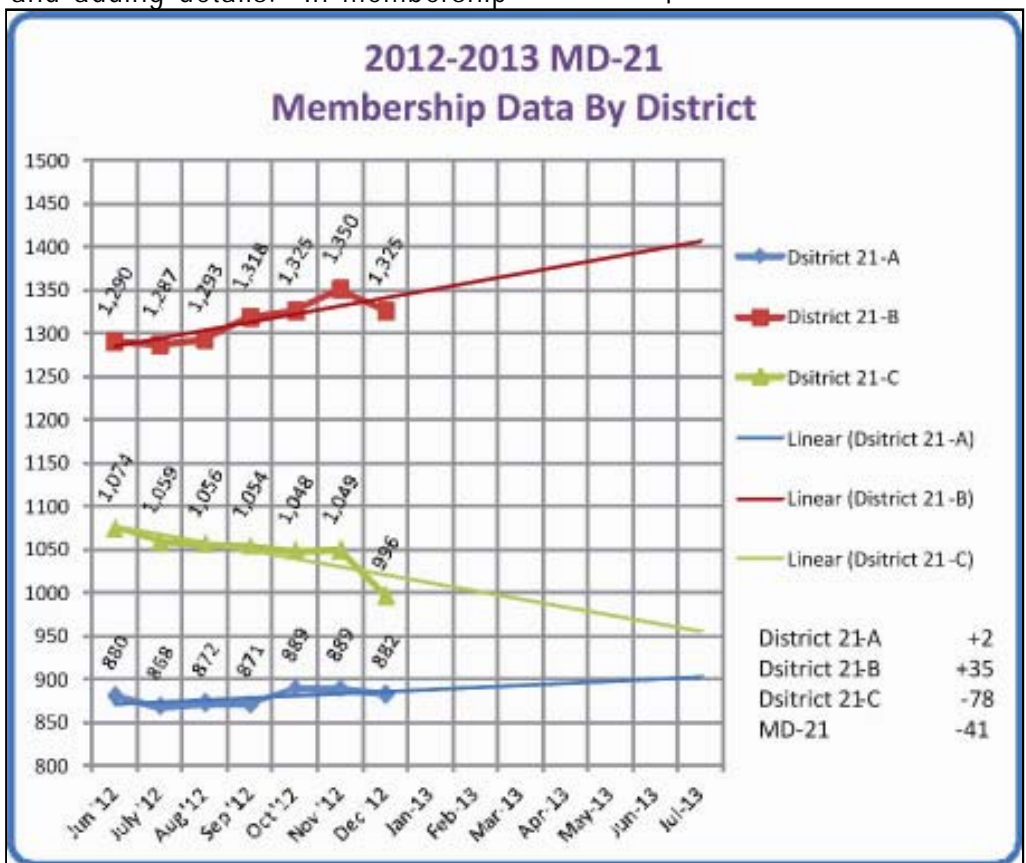
Once the plans are in place and the measurements are complete, it's time to employ the building tools that have been provided. The first construction step is framing. The structure is framed to provide the skeleton of the finished structure. The data gathered during the Club Excellence Process is the tool for framing the issues to be addressed by your club. Through the Club Excellence Process, members confront the issues head-on. The process of improving your club's members in this process provides the framework for membership growth.

The final construction step is finishing the structure and putting the final touches and adding details. In membership

development, this is accomplished by our membership orientation. New members need to learn about your club and our association. Additionally, veteran members need to be updated as to current club, district, multiple district and LCI programs and activities. Periodic orientation programs keep all members updated and informed.

After construction, proper maintenance is required to keep a structure in good repair over time. This brings us full circle back to a maintenance plan, using measurement tools and taking corrective action where needed to keep our membership structure healthy and prevent leaking members.

By following these steps, your club can build membership through improved retention and new member recruitment and restore the club to good health. If you need assistance with any of these actions, please contact your district Global Membership Team.





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). 1 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 assistant.

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.

Casa Grande Lions



Dec. 7th-2012, At the First Baptist church in Casa Grande Lions gave out 70 first aid kits and 46 pairs of socks. Lions David Encizo, Club President and Lions David and Jo-Ann Blatt.



Lions David and Jo-Ann Blatt giving books to library lady Consuelo-23 books.



Save The Date

**The Mesa Thunderbirds Lion
Club**

Cordially invites you and a guest to our
50th Anniversary Celebration Dinner and Dance

Join us for an evening of Celebration,
Remembrance, Friendship and Fellowship

**Our featured speaker will be Lions
International 2nd Vice President Joe Preston**

Saturday, February 23rd, 2013

5:00 pm Social

6:00 pm Dinner

**Windemere Conference Center
5750 E. Main Street
Mesa, AZ 85205**

**Anniversary Committee:
Email: edimiddlesworth@cox.net
Email: wilsjvw@aol.com
Email: tomsorr@cox.net**

For Cost and Reservations:

Please RSVP by February 8th to a member of the Anniversary Committee.

Directions:

**Take the 60 to the Higley Road Exit
North on Higley to Main Street,
Right (East) onto Main Street
Then go past 56th Street
You should then have the Windemere in Sight on
the left (North) side of main street.**



Lions gather at Melvin Jones Memorial

by Lion Carolyn Vessels

Despite freezing temperatures, Lions from across the United States gathered in Fort Thomas to rededicate themselves to Lionism at the memorial of their founder, Melvin Jones. When Jones started the first Lions Club in 1917, his idea was to serve others, as exemplified by the motto, "We Serve." District 21B Governor Karen Sell encouraged members to honor Jones' "grand idea" by working together to accomplish great works, a sentiment reiterated by MD 21 Council Chair Carl Johannesen, PID Douglas Alexander of Brooklyn, N.Y., and various leaders throughout the multiple district.

Following the ceremony, the group enjoyed a luncheon in the Eastern Arizona College dining room, where Alexander spoke about the pride of being a Lion. He challenged everyone to "... do all we can as Lions to make this world a better place." With tongue in cheek, he added that he was looking forward to returning to warmer weather in New York.

After lunch, Alexander inducted Susie Thompson into the Safford Lions Club. Then he honored her husband, Lion Jerome Thompson, by presenting him with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. The Thompsons are well known for their volunteer service in various community projects, most notably in the Graham County Special Olympics and Operation Christmas Child, which distributes gift-filled shoeboxes to needy children.



Photos below submitted by: Lion President Ed Balaban Pride of Scottsdale Lions Club



Newly appointed Pride of Scottsdale Lions Eddie Wright, second from left, and Marvi Parsons, second from right, proudly show their Lions membership certificates as their respective sponsors, PCC/PDG Richard O. Brown, far left, and Pride President Ed Balaban, far right, stand with them. The Pride started 2013 with bringing on these new members. (Photos courtesy Pride of Scottsdale Lions).



Lion candidate Marvi Parsons is escorted during the induction ceremony by her sponsor, Lion Ed Balaban, President of The Pride of Scottsdale Lions. Behind her is Lion candidate Eddie Wright and his sponsor, PCC/PDG Richard O. Brown. The Pride brought on these new Lions at their first meeting of the new year. (Photos courtesy Pride of Scottsdale 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:** _____

2012-13 OFFICE: _____ **DISTRICT:** _____

LOCATION: _____ PEORIA _____ TUCSON _____ FLAGSTAFF

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

Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation

Since April 2011 the Sight & Hearing Foundation has been in a partnership with Zounds Hearing Aid Co. Zounds is headquartered here in Phoenix and the CEO is Sam Thomasson. Sam, a fellow Lion, came to the foundation with an offer to provide new hearing aids for a very reasonable cost. This came at a very opportune time as the foundation's supply of reconditioned hearing aids was nearly depleted. This situation was caused in part because Arizona's Medicaid program stopped providing hearing aids. We integrated the Zounds program into our "Lend Us Your Ear" program which provides new and reconditioned hearing aids to needy persons. This program has been a fantastic success. Since the program started Zounds has provided the foundation with 151 new hearing aids. Our clients have been extremely pleased with the Zounds Hearing Aids.

Zounds Hearing Aids are based on the latest digital technology and are designed to help all types of hearing loss from moderate to profound. One additional feature that all of our clients love is that the batteries that Zounds uses are rechargeable. Zounds has been growing rapidly not only throughout Arizona but across the US. We are able to provide hearing aids to clients wherever they are located throughout Arizona.

We are still accepting used hearing aids. There still is a need for reconditioned hearing aids and we are able to fulfill that need. We have several companies that work with us in preparing the hearing aids for continued use.

We encourage all Lions who are in the need of a hearing aid to select Zounds as one of the companies whose products they review. One additional benefit that Zounds provides to the Foundation is that whenever a Lion or "Friend" of a Lion purchases a hearing aid, Zounds donates a comparable product to the Foundation.

Zounds has been a very valued partner and we look forward to a long working relationship with the company.



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.



LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

LITPC is having SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST for the children and grandchildren of Lions, as well as Leo's, who will be graduating High School this year.

Please see instruction for qualifications on the MD-21 Web Site. All entries must be sent to PCC Phil Castrovinci no later than March 1, 2013.

Address is as follows:

PCC Philip Castrovinci

7251 E. Brisa Dr.

Scottsdale, AZ 85266

Any questions please call at 480-437-1141

Yours in Lionism & Service,

PCC Phil Castrovinci

MEXICAN LIONS SERVE

Reported by PCC John Hart

Lions Clubs International Second Vice President Joe Preston traveled to Mexico in mid-January where he visited three areas including Zacatecas, Monterrey and ended his trip in Tijuana. This trip followed his previous trip to El Salvador. IVP Joe states, "The purpose of these trips is to visit some countries that are seldom visited by an executive officer, and secondly, they are a good chance to check on recent grants from LCIF, our charitable foundation."

IVP Joe reports, "In Zacatecas I toured five schools using Lions Quest. At each school, I visited with the teachers, administrators, and students. They were all very excited and seeing positive results." He further stated, "... (In) Monterrey I toured their eye hospital clinic. They are doing over 2000 cataract operations per year all for free to the poor people. Now they have new retinal equipment to expand their offerings."

His Mexican trip culminated with his visit to Tijuana where he was met at the airport by an enthusiastic group of Mexican Lions from Tijuana, Ensenada and Tecate representing seven Mexican Lions Clubs. Also there to meet him were PCC John and Lion-Lioness Dory Hart as well as Lion Reilley Tapley who is a member of the Dwight, Ontario Canada Lions Club and an associate member of the Tucson Downtown Lions Club.

From the airport, the group traveled by chartered bus to the Lions Plaza in downtown Tijuana where the Tijuana Lions described the origins of the plaza and a tower erected by the Lions of Tijuana in 1988 and its current use by the local sports hall of fame. The tower contains a 100-year time capsule that is to be opened in 2088. IVP Joe remarked, "What a wonderful tribute to the Lions of Tijuana and a reminder of Lions activities in the community."

The next stop on the tour was a new Lions Optometric Clinic and Medical Dispensary utilizing a very resourceful construction technique of combining two cargo containers. This clinic is a project of the Tijuana Campestre Lions Club. The clinic, located in a very poor area, will provide optometric and medical services to the local citizens.

Following the Campestre Clinic visit, the group traveled to the optometric and dental clinics established and operated by the Tijuana A.C. Lions Club. These clinics are located in a building built by the Tijuana Lions and located on the premises of the Banati Food Bank that is governed by Lions and that feeds 20 thousand poor people in the area. IVP Joe received a detailed briefing of the operations of the clinics and the food bank.

A luncheon meeting at the Tijuana Historical Society followed the project visits. In addition to the Mexican and Arizona Lions members, Lions members from California District 4-L6 including DG Blessie Sanchez-Trott and 1st VDG Napoleon White joined in welcoming IVP Joe to the area. IVP Joe presented two Presidential Certificates to very deserving Lions and recognized two others for more than 50 years of service each. DG Javier Cardenas Gutierrez presented a coffee table sized history of Tijuana to IVP Joe to remember his trip to the area.

On our way to the San Diego airport following his visit to Tijuana, IVP Joe expressed to this reporter his delight of the service provided by Mexican Lions to their communities and to those in need.



IVP Joe Preston at the Tijuana A.C. Lions Club Optometric Clinic.



Luncheon Head Table: Seated L to R PCC Jorge Arredondo, DG Javier Cardenas Gutierrez, IVP Joe Preston, DG Blessie Sanchez-Trott. Standing L to R 1st VDG Napoleon White, PCC John Hart, Tijuana Mayor's representative, PDG Vicente Martinez.



A group of Mexican and Arizona Lions on Tijuana A.C. Lions Club Clinic steps.



A group of Mexican and Arizona Lions at the Tijuana Lions Plaza in downtown Tijuana.

District Governor 21A Column

Submitted by DG Gary White, DG February Newsletter

Hello my fellow Lions in District 21-A! I hope you had a great Christmas holiday and brought in the new year with moderation. I was unable to get out and meet with a lot of you this past month and a half. I spent the Christmas holidays flat on my back due to an injury I did the week before Christmas. I was unloading a living Christmas tree from the back of my truck and damaged the nerves between the 3rd and 4th vertebrae in my lower back and two nerves in my right hip, which sent me to the emergency room and then home for the holidays on pain killers. I have been in therapy since Dec 29th and am just now getting back on very limited basis. You know what they say – “there is no fool like and old fool” and I proved I am one of the biggest ones out there.

I am trying to get back in shape to continue with my club visits with you this month so please get your request in to CS Amber Boyd so she can get you scheduled.

On another more important note, (you should have received a letter from me already) and that is the incorporation of your clubs. As I stated in my letter to you, if your club is or was incorporated you need to make sure it is up to date with the state of Arizona. If you haven't incorporated then use the documents I sent you as it is very important and we have all of our clubs in the district incorporated for liability reasons with our fund raisers, etc.

Unfortunately our membership is still down. We are well past the middle of my DG year and I/ we have not been able to meet the membership goals that were set at the first of the year. I know you are all trying hard but our successes are few and far between. I am going to keep this short this month and hope to see you all soon.

Thanks for all you are doing to keep Lionism alive and productive in our district.

SUN CITIES FOUNDATION MEMBERS ACCEPT RACHEL'S CHALLENGE

The Sun Cities, Surprise and Wickenburg Lions' Clubs accepted Rachel's Challenge. The Sun Cities Lions Foundation matched their collections and wrote a check for \$1,210. Shown is Lion Past International Director Dave Roberts presenting the check to Sonoran Heights Principal Therese Tipton. Her school was one of the schools spearheading the Challenge in the west valley.

“Rachel's Challenge” was created by Darrell Scott to honor his daughter, Rachel, who was the first student killed during the Columbine High School shooting in 1999. The Challenges' mission is to motivate, educate and bring positive change to many young people. It is a campaign to quell school violence, bullying and teen suicides. The Challenge is based on a Code of Ethic written by Rachel a month before her death.

Submitted by PDG Ann Roberts

Pictured below: PID Dave Roberts and Therese Tipton.



It all started 26 years ago in the community of Black Canyon City, Arizona where the Lions have worked together to help those in need. The angel tree was started as a Lions project and then other groups and citizens pitched in with help. The High Desert Group organizes the food baskets.

This year the Lions gave at least 3 gifts to over 100 children and the High Desert Group furnished over 100 food box's for Christmas.

This is one sure way to prove working together on a project works, “Hat's off Black Canyon Centennial Lions Club and the High Desert Group”.

Black Canyon Centennial Lions Club Angel Tree



Lions wrapping gifts.

PRESS RELEASE January 14, 2013



The Ahwatukee Lions Club, the Rotary Club of Ahwatukee and the Ahwatukee Kiwanis Club are joining together for a Service Appreciation Dinner honoring those who protect and serve our community.

Featured guest speaker will be Anthony Ameen, an Ahwatukee native and Navy hospital corpsman who was severely injured serving in Afghanistan. Ameen started the non-profit Wings for Warriors in support of combat wounded military service members returning home from Iraq and Afghanistan. A portion of the proceeds from the dinner will be donated to the Wings for Warriors organization.

The dinner is Tuesday, February 19, at the Foothills Golf and Country Club, 2201 E Clubhouse Dr. in Ahwatukee from 6 to 8 PM. Tickets are \$30 per person. To reserve your seats go to: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/904044BA4AC238-service>.

A cash bar reception will be from 6 to 6:30 PM, and the dinner and keynote speaker will follow.

For information, contact Jodi Erwin at 602-828-2527.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Hartwig

Secretary

Ahwatukee Lions Club

480-980-6848

lioncarolhartwig@gmail.com



Food baskets ready to go.



DISTRICT 21 A – CONVENTION
February 15-16, 2013
Blue Water Resort and Casino
11300 Resort Drive, Parker, AZ



REGISTRATION FORM

ALL LIONS & GUESTS MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND ALL EVENTS ONE FORM PER PERSON PLEASE

Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____
Last Name First Name

2012-2013 Club Office Held _____

2012-2013 District Office Held _____

Home Club _____ District _____

Phone: (DAY) _____ (NIGHT) _____ (CELL) _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Special Dietary Needs for Meals _____

PACKAGE PRICING (Reg./Lunch/Dinner included) \$55.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Lion/Lioness/Leo/Guest Registration \$30.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Saturday Luncheon \$15.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Saturday Night Dinner \$25.00 x _____ = \$ _____ Total _____

Late Registration (after 2/1/13) \$35.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Saturday Luncheon \$20.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Saturday Night Dinner \$30.00 x _____ = \$ _____ Total _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LIONS DISTRICT 21A

NO Refunds after February 1st

Mail to: IPDG Debbie Vine
8810 W. Tierra Buena Ln., Peoria, AZ 85382
Email: BluEyzAZ@cox.net



HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS – Blue Water Resort & Casino – 888-243-3360

Reference Group "LIONS"

Standard King or Q Rooms Fri. & Sat. \$79.00 plus tax

Hospitality Room info contact IPDG Debbie Vine

ALL ROOM RESERVATIONS – GROUP RATE DEADLINE is FEBRUARY 1, 2013

District Governor 21B Column



Just Imagine ---

By DG Karen Sell

Let's Stop Trying.

Are you trying harder this year? I do hope not, because trying can be an excuse for failure.

Let me show you what I mean. District Govs tend to gain weight - too many good Lions Club meals. I might say am going to "try" to lose 10 pounds and do it by walking more. However, and I am speaking from personal experience here, that goal by itself won't work.

On the other hand, if I were to actually make a change - like taking a job as a dog walker or joining the neighborhood walking group that will hold me accountable - I would have a better chance of seeing some pounds drop away.

Making a change in the system works.

Along the same line, as a Lions Club we can "try" to bring in more members - we can even set a goal of X new members - but until we make a change to the system, we are just spinning our wheels at the starting line.

Creating a Scoreboard - and sharing it every meeting - can be the simple system change that will make all the difference in meeting your goals this year.

Wow your members with a visual record. If your club could use a dose of pride (it's good for retention) your Scoreboard might track the number of people served this year through vision screening, literacy projects, eyeglasses purchased, and eyeglasses recycled. Or track your club's favorite service.

Get everyone involved. If you want to grow your club, a Scoreboard can track numbers of members added and dropped - or it might track the number of potential members each Lion brings to a meeting or project.

Show your progress. If you feel a lack of awareness about your club is holding you back, your Scoreboard might track something like the number of community events you take part in each month or even the number of news releases you send to the newspaper and radio.

The important thing is to track those things that you need to do regularly to meet your goal - that way you know at a glance if you are winning or losing the game. And you don't have to be stuck with just "trying".

To get more information about creating interesting Scoreboards to make your club stronger, contact DG Karen at KarenLSell@aol.com.

District 21-B Second Vice District Governor Candidate

Lion Larry Palmer has announced his candidacy for the District 21-B position of 2nd Vice District Governor for the 2013-2014 Lion Year. Larry has received endorsement from his club, the Sun Lake Lions Club.

Larry has been awarded a Proud Lion and is a Melvin Jones Fellow. Larry has also attended the LCI Senior Leadership Institute.

Larry is a 10 year member of the Sun Lakes Lions Club, where he held chair positions of various club committees, was a multi-year club Board member, two term Membership Director, Vice President, and two term President. Larry also served as District Zone Chair for two terms and District Region Chair. He also served as District White Cane and MERLOW Chair.

Larry is a multi-year member of the Board of Directors of the Lions Foundation of Arizona, having served as Vice President, and two terms as President.

Larry has received several LCI awards including a Certificate of Appreciation, a Certificate of Leadership, and a Distinguished Leadership Medal from International President Mehendra Amarasuriya. Larry was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from President Wing-Kun Tam for his work as LFA President.

ARIZONA LION HONORED BY DISTRICT B-1 MEXICO

While on a recent visit to Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico, PCC John Hart was honored for his service to the Lions of District B-1 with a certificate granting him "... citizenship of the B1 District..." District Governor Javier Cardenas Gutierrez, District Secretary Hector Legaspi Velasco and District Treasurer Thomas Yanez Fuentes signed the certificate. PCC John was rendered speechless by this unexpected honor but is very grateful to the Lions of District B-1 not only for this great honor but also for their service to their communities.





21B CONVENTION - 2013 MARCH 15-16



SHERATON GRANT HOTEL 5151 East Grant Road, Tucson, AZ 85712 REGISTRATION FORM

Please copy this form and complete for each Lion/Lioness/Leo (*Only if Attending).

*Lion/Lioness/Leo _____

*Spouse/Partner/Guest _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

Phone () _____ Lions/Lioness Club _____ District Circle one
(A) (B) (C)



Friday Night 90th Birthday Celebration

Tucson Downtown Lions

Includes dinner and musical entertainment

_____ @\$40 pp

or \$70 couple

= \$ _____

Chicken _____ Steak _____ Veg _____

Call Lion Su-Lin Trepanitis at 520.661.4909 or sulink@earthlink.net for more information

CONVENTION PRE-REGISTRATION PACKAGE

(If postmarked before March 5th – package saves \$10pp)

Package Includes: One Registration, One Saturday Luncheon – Featuring Grammy Nominated Singer/Songwriter Karen Taylor-Good, and One Ticket (pp) for raffle to win one night stay (suite) at Prescott Resort (dbl).

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| | <i>Early Bird Discount</i> | <i>After March 5th</i> |
| Convention Registration Only | _____ @ \$20.00 | _____ @\$22.00 = \$ _____ |

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| | _____ @ \$35.00 | _____ @\$45.00 = \$ _____ |
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**Featuring Grammy Nominated
Singer/Songwriter
Karen Taylor-Good**

Total Amount Enclosed = \$ _____

Make checks payable to: 21B Spring Convention

Remit to:
LION PAT BROYLES
P.O. Box 57131
Tucson, AZ 85732

Call for More Information:
Lion Sandy Shiff, Convention Chair
(520) 631-2330 sanfordshiff@cox.net

For hotel reservations, contact directly the Sheraton Grant Hotel
520.323.6262 Mention you are with the **Lions**
for special room rate of **\$105.00 (dbl)** – includes full breakfast for 2pp!
Room reservation deadline (subject to availability): **March 5th**

For All Hospitality Suite Reservations or Vendor Exhibit Tables call Convention Chair Lion Sandy Shiff
Registration Badge required for all Saturday Convention Activities.

Let's Celebrate . . . !

The future of Arizona Lions begins at
Spring Convention 2013!

March 15 and 16 at Sheraton on Grant in Tucson

Will you be part of the action?

Friday Daytime — Get to Tucson early to visit local Lions projects

- Bring your recycled eyeglasses to an **ALERT** eyeglass sorting at SAAVI— see how it is done or roll up your sleeves and help out

Will your club bring the most glasses for recycling? Start collecting NOW!

- Tour **La Casa de los Leones**— a Tucson senior apartment house managed by the Lions—open house and dedication of Lions plaque



Friday Evening— 90th Birthday Bash—celebrate with the Tucson Downtown Lions—dinner, music and so much more. Starts at 5 at the Sheraton (convention hotel). Full details on the District Website.

Saturday—Convention starts at 8:30 a.m.—done by 4 p.m.

- **VOTE** -
 - on changes to Constitution and Bylaws
 - for new District Governor and Vice District Governors
- **DISCOVER**— where we are today—Zone by Zone
- **SHARE** — your ideas and suggestions for moving forward
- **LEARN**—
 - How to be more relevant in your town
 - How to do vision screening
 - 50 ways to get more publicity before the end of the year
- **CELEBRATE YOURSELF** with lunch time speaker from Nashville - Emmy Nominated singer/songwriter Karen Taylor-Good!



Register early — Save\$\$
Registration forms at

<http://lionsarizona.org/md21-b>—or ask your club secretary.



TUCSON DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB
90 YEARS OF LIONS SERVICE 1923-2013

Friday, March 15, 2013

Sheraton Tucson Hotel 5151 E. Grant Road, Tucson, 85712

Cocktails 5:00 PM Dinner 6:00 PM

Name: _____

No. of Guests: _____

Price: \$70 per couple/\$40 per individual

| <u>Entrée Choices:</u> | <u>No. of Ea.</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Marinated Chicken Breast | _____ |
| Grilled Skirt Steak | _____ |
| Vegetarian | _____ |

Total: \$ _____

For Reserved tables of 10 contact Lion Su-Lin Trepanitis
(520)661-4909 sulink@earthlink.net
Lions Special Room Rate of \$105.00, incl. full breakfast buffet for two!
For Room Reservation call the Sheraton direct at (520) 323-6262

IPDG Harold (Chip) Kline remembered!!



IPDG Harold (Chip) Kline

To say that Lion Chip Kline was unique is to understate the case. Chip cut a figure so unlike many of his predecessors that he became a memorable figure not only in Arizona, but in Lionism in general.

In contrast to the stern, buttoned-down, stiff demeanor of most of the District Governors you've ever seen (like me), Chip was unconventional in his approach. I've never seen another male governor with a pony tail. He's the only governor I ever saw who carried a teddy bear as part of his entourage and whose message involved hugs. And the only governor I know who crafted his own bolo ties.

But Chip's serious side was totally committed to Lionism and its goals and challenges. His term as Governor featured his commitment to support IP Tam's tree planting effort, which revolved around the Sierra Vista fire and resultant devastation. But Chip also was deeply committed to Lions Camp Tatiyee, Lions Foundation of Arizona, Lions Sight & Hearing, the Melvin Jones Memorial, the Lions Vision Center, C. Kirby Smithe and ALERT and supported all our projects with gusto.

Chip was also deeply affected by his service in Southeast Asia, some of which is still classified. That service left lasting mental scars, for which Annie was a Godsend, helping Chip deal with the memories and trauma that came home with him. Annie became his #1 fan, traveling with Chip to Lions events all over the country and serving as his chief aide (and critic, if need be) while Chip evolved into the District Governor we knew.

Chip will be remembered as a Lion who gave his complete heart and soul to Lionism and will be celebrated as an exemplar for Lions now serving and for Lions to come.

Lion Carl Johannesen

Today I write these comments with a heavy heart. Losing Immediate Past District Governor Chip Kline has come as a shock that resonates within my soul. My prayers go out to Lion Annie and the Kline Family.

I recently read one of my favorite poems. It does not have a title and the author is unknown.

"One song can spark a moment,
One flower can wake the dream,
One tree can start a forest,
One bird can herald the spring,
One smile begins a friendship ..."

Lion Chip had an infectious smile. We became friends from our first meeting. He was a man of deep conviction, a man of faith and a visionary. When International President Tam challenged his governors last year to plant a million trees, Lion Chip was one of the first to raise his hand. I don't know how many trees he said District 21B would plant, but it was a big number, and he worked hard at fulfilling his commitment. One tree can truly start a forest.

One handclasp lifts a soul,
One star can guide a ship at sea,
One word can frame a goal.
One vote can change a nation,
One sunbeam lights a room,
One candle wipes out darkness,
One laugh will conquer gloom,
One step must start each journey,
One word must start each prayer,
One hope will raise our spirits,
One touch can show you care ..."

Lion Chip's candle lighted the world around him. I will miss his laugh. When Lion Chip gave you a big hug there was no doubt that his heart was filled with love, or how much he cared about you. I will miss his leadership, and his positive attitude.

"One voice can speak with wisdom,
One heart can know what's true,
One life can make a difference,
You see, it's up to you!"

Lion Chip was a quiet man. He didn't speak much, unless he had something to say. Lion Chip was wise beyond his years. He sometimes ruffled feathers because he was not afraid to speak what he thought was true. I will miss his perspective.

One life can make a difference,

When I think about Lion Chip, I think about his wide smile, and it brings a smile to my face. It will not be hard for me to remember Lion Chip because he had a profound impact on my life.

One step does start each journey. May God rest your soul, my friend. I look forward to seeing you again.

With Love,

Lion Joe Preston

District Governor 21C Column

From the Pen of DG Carolyn J. White

District 21- C

Happy New Year!

Well Christmas has come and gone, I hope everyone had a great time.

Christmas was spent up in Pinetop with my daughter and family, and yes there was snow. But we kept warm and had a great time.

I really have such great news to tell you. One of our peace poster contestants was the district winner. Amber LeFevre from the Snowflake/Taylor club is the big winner. Now it's on it's way to International and keep your fingers crossed that it will win there also. CC Carl Johannesen is going to send in an article and picture to CSL, so be sure you find it and look at it.

Is your club still working on our goals for December and January? December and January's focus is on feeding the hungry. I hope a lot of books were given out to kids at Christmas time, but it doesn't just have to be then, keep working on your project for the Reading Action Program. We want to have a great showing of this at the end of the year. I know some of you are doing the RAP video and I thank you for getting involved. Pictures are always welcome.

We are still having problems with retaining members, and getting new ones, I'm so proud that we have had quite a few clubs inducting new members and I'd like to encourage the rest of you to push this. We have a new GMT representative for 21-C, PCC Richard O. Brown, don't hesitate to contact him or me should you need help or have any questions.

Thank you to all the clubs that have added new members, isn't it wonderful to be able to share what Lions are all about?

I look forward to visiting with all of you in your clubs and seeing you at our cabinet meeting in Payson on April 6th, and don't forget to plan on attending the state convention in Mesa in May. We are going to have a fun time. Until next month—

In Lionism

DG Carolyn J. White

"Helping Others One Day at a Time"



“Now is the Time to Complete Your Registration”

Last opportunity to join us on Saturday, February 23, 2013, for an evening of celebration, remembrance, friendship and fellowship to commemorate our 50 years together as Thunderbirds. We'll gather at the Windemere Hotel and Conference Center, 5750 E. Main Street, Mesa, AZ 85205. Social Hour with appetizers starts at 5pm. A two entrée dinner commences at 6pm with dancing to follow. Our speaker for this special occasion will be Lions International 2nd Vice President Joe Preston. **The cost per person is \$50.00. Time is running out!! Please RSVP by February 15, 2013, with checks payable to Mesa Thunderbird Lions and addressed as follows:**

50TH Anniversary Celebration, Mesa Thunderbird Lions Club, PO Box 8673, Mesa, AZ 85210

For additional information contact: edmiddlesworth@cox.net.

PARTY FINAL REMINDER

The RSVP responses for the MESA HOST 85th CHARTER celebration MUST be returned on or before 1/10/2013.

Invitations were hand delivered at Prescott November conference and others mailed in December to Club Presidents to share with members. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

Check your desk, envelope with the balloons on it, mail back in yellow envelope provided.

Invitation on Club web site, pages 6 & 7, December newsletter at:

www.mesahostlions.org.

More information telephone Lion Barbara @ 480-985-1834

Mesa Thunderbird Lions 50th Anniversary Celebration

On Saturday, February 23, 2013, all are invited to join us for an evening of celebration, remembrance, friendship and fellowship to commemorate our 50 years together as Thunderbirds. We'll gather at the Windemere Hotel and Conference Center, 5750 E. Main Street, Mesa, AZ 85205. Social Hour with appetizers starts at 5pm. A two entrée dinner commences at 6pm with dancing to follow. Our speaker for this special occasion will be Lions International 2nd Vice President Joe Preston. The cost per person is \$50.00. Please RSVP by February 15, 2013, with checks payable to Mesa Thunderbird Lions and addressed as follows:

50TH Anniversary Celebration, Mesa Thunderbird Lions Club, PO Box 8673, Mesa, AZ 85210

For additional information contact: edmiddlesworth@cox.net or wilsjvw@aol.com.

Calendar of Events

2013

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| Feb 7-9 | DGE School for 2013-14 DG & 1st VDG | Phoenix | PID Dick Sawyer 928-535-5563 |
| Feb 15 | Third Council Meeting (A), Blue Water Resort | Parker | |
| Feb 15 - 16 | 21-A Convention, Blue Water Resort | Parker | |
| Feb 23 | Mesa Thunderbird Lions Club, 50th Anniversary Celebration Dinner/Dance Windemere Conference Center, 5750 E. Main Street, Mesa, AZ 85205 | Mesa | edimiddlesworth@cox.net |
| Mar 9 | LFA 'Duffers Against Darkness' Golf Tournament | Chandler | PDG Fred Garmeson 480-895-9363 |
| Mar 9 | 3rd Annual Clarkdale Car Show, Clarkdale Town Hall 9a - 2p Flyer available on the 21C web site calendar | Clarkdale | PDG Dave Andrews 928-634-8207 |
| Mar 16 | 21-B Convention, Sheraton Grant Hotel | Tucson | Sandy Shiff 520-631-2330 sanfordshiff@cox.net |
| Mar 23 | Peoria Sunset Lions, First Annual Tee Off for Sight | Peoria | peoria-sunset-lions.org |
| Mar 23 | Buckeye Lions 14th Annual Golf Tournament | Buckeye | Michael Mayo 602-882-4703 |
| Mar 23 | Phoenix Metro Lion David Lambert Memorial Salmon Dinner | | PDG Richard Rodriguez rsquare2@cox.net |
| Mar 30 | Chandler Sunbird Lions Wine & Cheese Expo | Chandler | PDG Fred Garmeson 480-895-9363 |
| Apr 5 - 7 | 21C Convention | Payson | |
| 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 |
| 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 | | |
| 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 | |

First Annual Tee Off for Sight- 4 Person Scramble

Palmbrook Country Club Golf Course

**Join Us on March 23, 2013
for fun, food and golf!**



Best Ball Tournament to benefit Arizona Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation.

All proceeds will go to providing eye surgeries to those in need.

Registration 6:30am – shotgun start 8:00am

\$100 per golfer or set up a foursome for \$360. Fee includes golf, cart and lunch.

Sponsorships available.

Prizes for: Closest to the pin, Longest drive (men & women), Longest putt, Straightest drive

More information and registration forms available on our website – peoria-sunset-lions.org

The Peoria Sunset Lions Club Foundation is a volunteer organization serving those in the Peoria community. We provide vision and hearing services to those in need as well as many other community needs.

Proceeds from this tournament will benefit the Arizona Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation. The Foundation provides eye surgery, hearing aids and other related services to those in need around Arizona. Both Foundations are 501(c) (3) organizations.