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FUN, FUN, FUN Learning and more FUN, FUN, FUN.

The 19th Annual Multiple District 21 Leadership Forum and Mid-Winter Conference, promises to be lots of fun, along with learning how to better serve our LOCAL and GLOBAL community. Learn how to inject HARMONY, DIGNITY and HUMANITY into your service.

One of our slogan for "The Centennial Celebration" says: "Where there is a need; there is a Lion". How do you find out what the needs of your community are? Come to the Leadership FORUM and bring your club members and learn how to be a leader of your community. The more you learn about ways to serve the better your club and your community will be.

Register before the 10th of September and save money before the fees go up again. The ARIZONA GOLF RESORT & CONFERENCE CENTER is a fun place to have a Lions Leadership forum. We have held cabinet meetings and conventions with great result and satisfaction.

The Forum is about YOU, you will make it more important by being there, because you make a difference in someone's life every day. This difference can take place across the world and you may not even realize it. "Together we can do so much" and have fun while doing it, because we are: "BETTER TOGETHER."

CANYON - STATE LION IS SEEKING A PRINT/PRODUCTION PERSON

SUBMITTED BY LION PDG LES DAVIET II, EDITOR

The current print/production person for the Canyon-State Lion, Diana Koshewer, has announced that she will be retiring on December 31, 2015, so the Canyon-State Lions are seeking a replacement. The goal is to identify the new individual by the end of October 2015 so the person can be brought on board to work with the current print/production person during the publication of the December 2015 and January 2016 issues of the Canyon-State Lion.

The job is a Private Contractor, work from home, position and requires the person to provide their own computer and software. The responsibilities are to receive the articles and photos each month, do the layout and production of the monthly paper, maintain the data base of the on-line and U.S. Mail recipients, and distribute the Canyon-State Lion by e-mail to the on-line recipients using the CSL's bulk e-mail service provider. The job responsibilities also include creating a black and white version of the monthly paper and to send it along with the mailing list of the U.S. Mail recipients electronically to the CSL printer. Distribution of the U.S. Mail copies is handled by a mail service.

If you are interested in being considered for this Canyon-State Lion position, please contact the CSL Editor Lion PDG Les Daviet II, Cell: 602-525-2377, e-mail: lesdavietii@cs.com as soon as possible for more information and to schedule an interview.

Another **LEADERSHIP** Opportunity

Your MD21 Council recently voted to support a new opportunity for you to increase your leadership skills. The first Nevada-Arizona Lions Leadership Institute will be held in Las Vegas on January 16-18, 2015. Both, our MD GLT Coordinator, PDG Sally Hanson and Nevada's GLT Coordinator, PDG Bill Newyear, have put together an outstanding two and one-half day series of leadership sessions that will help you in your current Lions work as well as help you pave a path to advancement in Lions and your personal lives. All Lions in good standing are eligible to attend. You do not have to have been an officer, or even on the path to becoming an officer.

NEV-ARI LIONS Leadership Institute

Holding this institute in Las Vegas places it closer to home where you and other Lions from Arizona can carpool for transportation to save money. Many of the other Lions Leadership Institutes require that you spend hours in airports and on airplanes to get to the institute location. Why not take this opportunity to join Lions from Arizona, Nevada, and possibly Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, and California for a fun packed and educational two and a half days of companionship.

Come – learn about - discuss

Change Leadership

Conducting Effective Meetings

Conflict Resolution

Leadership Styles

LCIF

Lions on the Internet

Project Management

Public Speaking

Setting Club Goals

Team Building

Registration deadline is December 31, 2015. There is a registration fee of \$250 due at the time of registration. Your room (shared double) and meals are included for this institute.

CONTACT your District Governor, GLT Coordinator or your Zone Chair for more information and applications.

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FOR US?

SEEKING A QUALIFIED LION



TO SERVE AS COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

FOR LY 2016-17

LET US KNOW YOU ARE INTERESTED:

1st VDG Jack Buckles - jbuck32175@aol.com

1st VDG Jim Whelan - jrwhelan@cox.net

1st VDG Rosemarie Gabriel – rgabriel513@gmail.com

INTERVIEWS WILL BE HELD AT

THE MID-YEAR CONVENTION.

We look forward to seeing you..

MD21 1ST VDG's Jack (A), Jim (B) and Rosemarie (C)



HOW WILL YOU CELEBRATE 100?

We are so very excited to invite you to a celebration of service filled with a wealth of information and FUN.

Sure.....there will be seminars (fun seminars) but there will also be a Halloween celebration, with costume contests, decorated golf cart parade, and lots more fun.

As we approach the celebration of 100 years of service of the greatest and largest service organization in the world, we invite you to learn why this celebration is so big and so important.

Have you even heard the term - CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION and do you have any idea Lions Clubs International started preparing for this celebration, officially, one year ago. That is three years in advance. Do you have any idea as to why that is? Do you even know if your club has already qualified for an award at this celebration and do you even know where it is? Do you plan to be there?

We are inviting you to the 19th Annual Multiple District 21 Leadership Forum and Mid-Winter Conference at the beautiful Arizona Golf Resort in Mesa. A new venue means new excitement and more fun. Our organization is celebrating what is perhaps, the greatest year in membership growth in its history and we want to keep that momentum as we arrive at the CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

Come to the FORUM, October 30 – November 2, 2015 and learn the answers to such intriguing questions as:

What is a LION? What is a Lions Club? When did I become a Lion? Do I belong to a Lions Club? Or a social club? a service club? Or a knife and fork club? What's a secretary? What does a secretary do? What's an activity report? Why are clubs not reporting their activities? How can we make meetings more fun?

Watch for more specifics on the celebrations, seminars and fun in the September Canyon State Lion and from your Club Presidents and Secretaries.

Bring all your friends and family for a weekend you will not soon forget...




YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

The Lion's Sight & Hearing Foundation MD21 needs your help. During the summer months, hearing aid donations often decline, so we are asking for your help in increasing collections. The hearing aid donations we receive are used to fund and supply our in-office hearing aid fittings for the less-fortunate. Any help you can offer is appreciated! Donations can be mailed or dropped off at our Foundation at 3427 N. 32nd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85018. Questions? Please call (602) 954-1723. Thank you in advance for your help!

Don't Be a Ghost . . .

Be Visible at the 19th Annual MD21 Mid-Year Forum & Leadership Conference

It's time to mark your calendars so that you save the weekend of October 30 – November 2, 2015 to be at the Annual Mid-Year Forum at the Arizona Golf Resort in Mesa AZ. New venue – new ideas!

This is our major leadership training opportunity for the Lions of AZ. The GLT District and MD Team are busy planning more than 17 seminar and training classes to meet the needs of both our old and new Lions. Sessions to help individual Lions, Lions clubs and the District Teams. And a great time to get together with all your Lion friends – and to make new ones.

I have yet to go to a seminar or training class that I thought – oh, I know that – and did not learn something new – or got updated information. So don't just assume that you know all there is to know about a subject that will be covered. I know I'm planning on learning a lot of new things and meeting new Lions and seeing old Lion friends. Please join me!

And, yes, we will have fun! The conference committee is working hard to plan fun activities – a Halloween Party and Costume Contest, a Decorated Golf Cart Parade – and much more!

There will be an article in the September Canyon State Lion with more information on the seminars that will be offered and the presenters who are hard at work building these session for YOU! So, make your calendars and get your registrations in early to take advantage of the great Early Bird Package PDG Ron Rosinke and his co-chairs Lions Lennie Spicer and Pat Brown have put together for you. There should be a registration form in this issue of the CSL – just look for it!

I'll be there! I hope that you will be, too! This is one of our two major events for all the Lions of AZ. See you in Mesa – and plan on having some FUN!

PDG Sally Hanson

MD21 GLT Coordinator

Lions Camp Tatiyee Endowment

Pam Swanson

Lions Camp Tatiyee is the only organization in Arizona that provides youths and adults with special needs the opportunity to spend a week away from home in the White Mountains enjoying activities and meeting new friends, all free-of-charge.

The Lions Camp Tatiyee has provided this unique experience to special needs families in Arizona since 1958, with generations of campers having gained a newfound independence and confidence that comes with trying new activities and challenging personal limits.

Lions Camp Tatiyee is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit operating solely on donations from the Lions, individuals, businesses, corporate sponsors and grants. Lions Camp Tatiyee remains committed to providing an incredible camp experience free-of-charge to families of special needs children.

Another fundraising method that Camp relies on is through charitable giving, bequests and endowments. Simply, ask yourself; "What will I do with what I've built during my life?" Without thoughtful planning, everything that you've built, your nest egg, could be squandered through taxation, probate costs and distributions to unintended beneficiaries. Thoughtful planning ensures that you minimize taxes, provide the right benefit to the right beneficiary and pass on your life's work, in terms of both finances and values, to the people and programs that you most care about. To learn more about how you can support Lions Camp Tatiyee's Endowment Project through charitable bequests and planned giving, visit here:

[http://www.arizonalionscamp.org/donors/.](http://www.arizonalionscamp.org/donors/)

HOME DELIVERY

**The Desk of Eddie Richardson, Executive Director
Lions Foundation of Arizona**

The tenants at the La Casa de Los Leones which Lions Foundation of Arizona manages for the Lions of Arizona, are always looking forward to seeing Lions and having fun activities at the location they call home. They especially enjoy a monthly visit from Book on Wheels which is coordinated by Karen Greene at Joel D. Valdez Main Library. Volunteers stock their bike with various books and ride them to La Casa de Los Leones. Tenants are able to pick a book of choice, place a book request and or donate a book or two.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
FOR OFFICE WORK**



**LIONS SIGHT
& HEARING OFFICE**

CALL 602-954-1723 FOR DETAILS

19th Annual Multiple District 21 Leadership Forum and Mid Winter Conference

ARIZONA GOLF RESORT & CONFERENCE CENTER * 425 South Power Road, Mesa, AZ 85206

October 30, 31 & November 1, 2015 * * * * * REGISTRATION FORM

Name (Include title) _____ Phone _____

(Please use one form for each Lion, Lioness, LEO or Non-Lion/Guest attending events)

Address _____ E-mail Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Cell # _____

Circle One: District 21A 21B 21C Other _____

Club Name _____ Office held _____

PLEASE NOTE: ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND EVENTS.

SAVE 38% FOR FULL REGISTRATION (Includes Registration; Friday Evening Snacks; Saturday Breakfast or Saturday PDGA Breakfast; Saturday Lunch; Saturday Dinner & Sunday Melvin Jones Breakfast)

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE - 1- Sat. Breakfast or 2-Sat. PDGA Breakfast
 SUBMIT PAYMENT BY AUGUST 10TH - \$105.00 _____

SAVE 25% FOR FULL REGISTRATION (Includes all the above)

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE - 1- Sat. Breakfast or 2-Sat. PDGA Breakfast
 SUBMIT PAYMENT BY SEPTEMBER 10TH - \$125.00 _____

SAVE 20% FOR FULL REGISTRATION (Includes all the above)

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE - 1- Sat. Breakfast or 2-Sat. PDGA Breakfast
 SUBMIT PAYMENT BY OCTOBER 1ST \$136.00 _____

PURCHASE INDIVIDUAL EVENTS - SUBMIT PAYMENT BY OCTOBER 1ST

Registration	\$20.00	_____
Friday Evening Snacks with Entertainment	\$20.00	_____
Saturday Breakfast - Full Breakfast Buffet	\$22.00	_____
Saturday Luncheon - Italian Buffet	\$25.00	_____
Saturday Dinner - Bar-B-Q Buffet with Entertainment/Costumes optional	\$27.00	_____
Sunday Melvin Jones Breakfast - Full Breakfast Buffet		
Melvin Jones Fellows & Guests	\$22.00	_____

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

LATE REGISTRATION - PURCHASE INDIVIDUAL EVENTS AFTER OCTOBER 1ST

Registration	\$30.00	_____
Friday Evening Snacks with Entertainment	\$25.00	_____
Saturday Breakfast - Full Breakfast Buffet	\$25.00	_____
Saturday Luncheon - Italian Buffet	\$30.00	_____
Saturday Dinner - Bar-B-Q Buffet with Entertainment/Costumes optional	\$35.00	_____
Sunday Melvin Jones Breakfast - Full Breakfast Buffet		
Melvin Jones Fellows & Guests	\$25.00	_____

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO - MD21 Lions Conference REMIT TO - Carol Rosinke, 3925 E Forge Ave., Mesa, AZ 85206

ROOM RESERVATIONS, Regular Rooms \$79 - Call Arizona Golf Resort -Yolanda 480/832-3202 by October 1, 2015. INDICATE YOU ARE WITH THE "ARIZONA LIONS CONFERENCE" and ALSO INDICATE IF YOU HAVE A MOBILITY PROBLEM.

HOSPITALITY ROOMS \$89 - CALL PDG RON ROSINKE, Convention Chair - 480/751-8284

CALLING ALL BUSINESSES!!!!

Support the MD21 and place an ad in the Conference/Ad booklet for MD21 Mid-Year Conference being held on October 30, 31 & November 1.

Please consider placing an ad if you or someone you know has a business.

Any questions, call Mike Weaver 480 330-0221, or email: Mike.weaver.aea@gmail.com

Please see the AD order form below. Pricing allows for all budgets!



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MD21 Lions Mid-Year Leadership Conference

Arizona Golf Resort, Mesa, AZ

October 31 – November 1, 2015

ADVERTISING SIGN-UP – Distribution 300 copies

AD DEADLINE: OCTOBER 12, 2015

Advertiser _____

Address _____

Contact: _____

Phone _____ Email _____

AD DETAIL (Check ad of choice)

Outside Back Cover	\$150	_____
Inside Cover/Back or Front-Full Page	\$125	_____
Full Page ad	\$100	_____
Half Page ad	\$ 60	_____
Quarter Page ad	\$ 45	_____
Business Card ad	\$ 25	_____

ALL AD MATERIAL MUST BE CAMERA READY – jpg., pdf or word doc.

Submit to: Mike Weaver
 480-330-0221
 Mike.weaver.aea@gmail.com

District Governor 21A Column

Submitted by DG Paul Yopps, DG September Newsletter

Greetings!

I'd like to clear up some confusion on my club visit. My CST, Joyce Meyers, has sent each club president the date of my visit to their club. I plan to call each club president a few days prior to my visit.

I held an advisory board meeting a few weeks ago. One of the topics we discussed was our goals for the year. We agreed, our main goal should be in the area of retention and membership. We do not want to lose more members than we take in each year. With each club working together as a team, we can solve this problem. We need to be more concerned about what's happening in your club that's causing the loss of members. YOU are in control of your own destiny. Let's keep our members to build the district up to where it should be. I know everyone is determined to make this the best year they can. I look forward to getting to know each of your clubs and sharing ideas on how we can help make your club stronger in the coming year.

So far this year, the Lions Kidsight program is doing well with the help of the Spot machines. Our District has screened approximately 8,000 individuals. Our goal is to sight screen every child from preschool to third grade using the spot machines. Not all clubs are involved in this program, yet. We would like to see every club involved in their community projects. Eye screening of young children would be a good opportunity for clubs to achieve this goal.

District 21A Governor, We're flying into the future together.

Paul Yopps



Buckeye Lions Spot Training



Helping hands around the world. The countries represented are: UK, USA, Slovenia, Croatia, Bulgaria and Macedonia.

VISITATION SCHEDULE DISTRICT 21A 2015-2016

DATE	CLUB	TIME
2-Sep	Lake Havasu City London Bridge	6 PM
3-Sep	Lake Havasu City Daybreakers	7 AM
9-Sep	Phoenix West Business	7 AM
9-Sep	Phoenix North Phoenix	12 NOON
10-Sep	Kingman Mohave	12 NOON
10-Sep	Goodyear	6 PM
17-Sep	San Luis	7 PM
22-Sep	Peoria Northwest Valley	7 AM
23-Sep	Peoria Sunset	6.30 PM
24-Sep	Glendale Bellair	6:30 PM
30-Sep	Phoenix Midtown	11:30 AM
1-Oct	Sun City West Sunrise	7:30 AM
2-Oct	Sun City Early Birds	7:30 AM
6-Oct	Surprise Sun Village	8 AM
8-Oct	Peoria Pioneer	7 AM
8-Oct	Phoenix Downtown	12 NOON
13-Oct	Deer Valley	11:30 AM
13-Oct	Phoenix Metro	7 PM
14-Oct	Buckeye	11:30 AM
15-Oct	Surprise	11:30 AM
15-Oct	Black Canyon Bi-Centennial	7 PM
21-Oct	Sun City Midweek Bell	12 NOON
22-Oct	Sun City Host	11 AM
22-Oct	Glendale Evening Longhaven	6 PM
28-Oct	Salome	4:15 PM
2-Nov	Ajo	12 NOON
4-Nov	Ahwatukee	12 NOON
5-Nov	Laveen	7 PM
9-Nov	Bullhead City	6 PM
12-Nov	Wickenburg	6:30 PM
17-Nov	Needles Mohave	12 NOON
18-Nov	Parker	5:30 PM
19-Nov	Yuma	6:30 PM
	Mid-Western Campus Club	TBD

District 21B

Mesa Fountain of the Sun Lions Eye Testing at the Mall

In line with our International President's theme, Dignity, Harmony, Humanity, the

Mesa FOS Lions Club has initiated a program of free eye testing of children using the

SPOT equipment on two Thursdays in August at the Superstition Springs Mall during their Kids Club Event. Over 60 were tested during our first event on August 6 with just over 10% showing they needed a follow-up with an eye care professional.

The Club feels they were promoting good eye care for participants and other observers. We were also able to share information regarding Sight and Hearing services.

Following this first event the Club delivered several hundred dollars worth of school supplies to Stevenson Elementary, their adopted school. This provided students with much needed supplies as well as items teachers need for their classrooms.



DO YOU LIKE IT HOT?

Come and visit the Salsa Trail, Arizona's hottest road trip in the heart of Melvin Jones Country. On September 25-26 the Safford Lions Club will have their annual Safford Lions Salsa Festival. Come down and join the fun. Not only will there be food and beverages but a salsa challenge, jalapeño and salsa eating contest, Chihuahua racing, car show and a vendors market place. Stop and visit the Melvin Jones Memorial while you are there. For more information you can stay in touch by following the Fiesta Facebook page here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/712718725498802/>

by Lion R. Stevenson



21-B KICKS OFF A YEAR OF SERVICE

DG Barbara Daily is focusing upon service for the 2015-2016 Lionistic year. With this in mind all the Lions at the 21-B Kick off participated in an exercise to identify current projects and potential future projects. We will be discussing this in our District newsletter, "The Buzz", as well as on our new WE SERVE



Facebook page. Please check it out and like it to follow what we are doing to Serve. The page name is "WE SERVE Lions Clubs of District 21-B Southern AZ", or you can copy paste this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/WE-SERVE-Lions-Clubs-of-District-21-B-Southern-AZ/1487382568194138>

By Lion R. Stevenson

SOUTH TUCSON LIONS 7TH ANNUAL STUDENT MARIACHI FIESTA

November 15 will be the 7th annual South Tucson Student Mariachi Fiesta at the famous El Casino Ballroom, in South Tucson. This event showcases the talent of the various schools



Mariachi programs in the Tucson area and celebrates our Mexican heritage. Profits generated go to support the various school Mariachi programs as well as our Lions projects. Please join us for this spectacular afternoon of music, dancing and fun. For more information check out our South Tucson Lions Club Facebook page.

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By Lion R. Stevenson

PLUSOPTIX TRAINS LIONS IN TUCSON

Lion Lindy Toner of Plusoptix visited Tucson to give two classes to certify 42 Lions and volunteers in the use of the Plusoptix vision screening device. This is a multi-club project with virtually all of the clubs of the Tucson area participating in vision screening under the leadership of Lion Su-Lin Trepanitis. Our program started in July with health fairs and a trip to Fort Huachuca. Now we begin in earnest with the Sunnyside, Tucson, Amphi, Flowing Wells and Marana School districts. Join us, We Serve. See our Facebook page (Lions Vision Screening Arizona District 21-B) for more information.

by Lion R. Stevenson



Safford Lions do some back-to-school vision screening

by Lion Carolyn Vessels

Recently, the Safford Lions Club obtained two Plusoptix vision screening machines, thanks to a United Way grant. Fourteen Lions and one Leo attended training and became certified to screen vision using the machine, which is especially geared to test vision in children aged 6 months to 6 years.

Lion Mallene Elicio, the club's vision chair, set up screening dates throughout the community, and Lions quickly familiarized themselves with the Plusoptix devices during those events, which included a Family Fun Day in July at a local church, plus a Back-to-School Health Fair at Eastern Arizona College and the Morenci Health Fair in August. Within a few short weeks, they screened more than 500 individuals, referring several to optometrists for further evaluation.

Club members look forward to working with school nurses in the community during the school year so that all children have the opportunity to have their eyes tested during their formative years.

Pictured bottom right: Vision specialist Lindy Toner conducting training to certify Safford Lions on the Plusoptix vision screening machine.



Safford Lion Jon Stewart testing Lion Al Cochran's eyesight with the Plusoptix device.



Catalina-Oro Valley Lions Donate to San Manuel Jr/ Sr High School

Members of the Catalina-Oro Valley Lions Club went to San Manuel Junior/Senior High School in San Manuel, Friday, August 7 to present Principal, Julie Scott, with a check for \$500. The donation was made to help the school perform needed repairs to classrooms damaged in recent flash floods that occurred just before the start of the school season.

Pictured L/R: School Resource Officer, Richard Drennan; Principal, Julie Scott; Assistant Principal, Melissa Joliat; Lion, Dawn Hawk; Lion, Russ Hawk; Catalina-Oro Valley Lion President, James Perkins.



APACHE JUNCTION LIONS CLUB PRESENTS Their Annual Country Music Variety Show.

When? Friday evening, January 22, 2016
Time? 7:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M.
Place? Performing Arts Center, Apache Junction, Arizona.

Entertainment for the show includes:

1. "West Wind," with Don and Bert Lee, Rudy, and Dudley.
2. "The Road Haven Dixieland Band." (This is a new entry for this show.)
3. Kevin Huang and Gary Gjerstad. Without question, Kevin is one of the most exceptional Violinists to have been on the show. This will be his second appearance. Definitely brought the house down.
4. "Two Hits and a Miss." Not much to be said here. They are like all of the performers who give of their time to help the Lions work toward a worthy cause.

Ticket information is as follows: Admission is \$ 10.00. Tickets may be obtained through the Apache Junction Chamber of Commerce or through any Lions member. For further information, please contact Dave Hamilton at 480-288-2489.



Sierra Vista Lions Club 60th Anniversary

Celebrating
60
Years...

Save the date, Sunday the 22nd of November.

The Sierra Vista Lions Club will be celebrating 60 years of successful support to the community and Lions International. A club that has fostered three District Governors in District 21B is getting ready to move to the next 60 years. As this is a huge milestone, the club is asking all Lions within the multiple district 21 to help us celebrate. This will be a noon luncheon that will provide time for visiting Lions time for travel. We are extremely pleased to announce the key note speaker will be the Immediate Past International President, Lion Joe Preston. Please make plans to join us, and help us celebrate.

A formal announcement will be forthcoming in the September Canyon State Lion newsletter.

ATTENTION ALL CLUB PRESIDENT'S, SECRETARIES and PROGRAM CHAIRPERSONS

LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION



3427 N. 32nd Street
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Phone: (602) 954-1723 FAX: (602) 954-1768

board@ls-hf.org

The Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of Arizona extends an invitation to all Lions Clubs in Multiple District 21 of Arizona to contact our office and schedule one of our dedicated volunteer Directors to visit your club and present a ten to twenty minute program on how and/or where the used eye glasses, hearing aids and monetary donations that you donate to us are put to good use. We can also provide you with the Foundation's latest financial information.

Please call, e-mail or fax your request to us at the numbers above and we will be happy to get you in our schedule.

District 21C

Book Drive by Linda Vawter

International President Jitsuhiro Yamada declared the week of August 30 to September 5, 2015 to be Children's Dignity Week. As District Governor, I would like to extend this week for the entire year by collecting books for children.

I am asking every Lion to go through your bookcases and bookshelves, your closets, garages, and storage rooms. Okay, look through the boxes you didn't unpack from your last move. (I'm guilty of that!) Locate all of the children's books you can and bring them to your next Lions Club meeting. When I come to visit your club, I'll pick all of the books up and make sure that children throughout District 21C receive them.

If you want to participate in the Book Drive Program and you can't locate any Dr Seuss, Clifford the Big Red Dog books, or any other children's books, please donate any book you can spare and I'll ensure that those books go towards veterans programs.

The Lions Centennial Challenge is to serve 100 million people by June of 2018. With nearly 1,200 Lions in District 21C, if every member contributes just one book, hundreds of children as well as veterans will benefit from our efforts.

Books can be big or small, hardback or paperback. The book you give to this program can even be written in any language also.

I consider books to be very special and they are near and dear to my heart. As such, I want to share books with children and veterans alike. Please help me reach the 1,200 book total. I hope to see every Lion with a book in their hand when they greet me at their club meeting.

Equine Activities for Special People



Payson Lions are collaborating with Dueker Ranch to promote therapeutic horseback riding that can benefit people with a wide variety of disabilities. Associated with PATH Intl. (Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International), Dennis and Kathy Dueker's ranch, located in Star Valley, Arizona, promotes safety and optimal outcomes in equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. Those benefiting from horse therapy may suffer from ADD, stroke, PTSD, emotional problems, muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy, autism, substance abuse or a host of others disabilities. The Ranch includes Clydesdale and Belgium draft horses, Halfingers and miniatures, all chosen for their gentle temperament and to meet specific needs. Lions with knowledge of people that could benefit from therapeutic horseback riding should contact Payson Lions Club at (928) 474-2176 or Dennis Dueker at (928) 978-7039.

Phoenix Phil-Am Lions Centennial project fundraising benefit for hunger commemorate with a memorable souvenir t-shirt. The proceeds go to the local food drive. District Lion of the year and the Helen Keller's Knight Awardee of 2014-2015 Lion Pamela Sandico Zapanta, current Vice President new project. Lion Pamela is following the success of her 2014 feed the hunger project. First project "Lugaw For Cause", rice porridge fundraising a huge success. Followed by "The Walk and Get Fit" hiking for a cause. Recipient of last year's funds St Mary's Food Bank, Our Lady of Joy Catholic Church and Desert Mission Food Bank, services hundreds of families. Lion Pamela 2015-2016 year goal hunger program is \$25 t-shirts design feed the hunger. Attached is the picture of Lion Pamela with her son John Carl Zapanta modeling the t-shirt. Please contact:



heritagedentistry@yahoo.com, phone number 602-944-4123 purchase a t-shirt.

Greetings Fellow Lions,

My name is Lion Philip Weliky. I am the new Service Dog Chairman for District 21C. I'm very proud to have been chosen to fill the shoes of Lion Past District Governor Tom Simmons, who served this position for many years with distinction. It is my mission to carry on the job of Service Dog Chairman with the same quality of service the Lions Clubs of District 21C have received in the past from Lion PDG Tom.

I am the Immediate past president of the Prescott Noon Lions Club. I utilize a guide dog due to a eye disease called Retinitis pigmentosa. My current guide is a Yellow Lab named Simba. Some of you may remember my guide dog, Avery. He served me for 9 1/2 years, and is now in retirement and serving as a therapy dog at the Yavapai Regional Medical Center here in Prescott. Avery and I are very proud to have been chosen as one of six guide dog teams to walk alongside the Lions Clubs International's Helen Keller Float during the 2008 Rose Parade.

Being a guide dog user, I do understand how the use of a working dog can enhance the quality of someone's life. Whether it be a guide dog providing safe mobility and companionship or a Assistance dog who helps those who cannot perform the simplest daily tasks such as turning on lights, to opening doors to paying the cashier. And, let us not forget those who need a therapy dog to cope with post traumatic stress syndrome.

My mission is to help our fellow Lions and neighbors to acquire the appropriate service dog they may need. I can aid in finding an organization that fits the individual's needs and also can help with registration and securing the documentation needed to request a service dog. I can also answer any questions you may have concerning these service dogs and am a resource for the Accessibility Laws.

I am open for business and can be reached at 928-717-1348 or email me at weliky6@msn.com. I look forward to helping you and your community.

Lion Phil

LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND TOUR

by DG Linda Vawter

Last month, 1st VDG Rosemarie Gabriel and I had the opportunity to tour the Leader Dogs for the Blind facility in Rochester Hills, Michigan. Located outside of Detroit, Leader Dogs assisted 210 clients this past fiscal year with dogs. PDG Tom Simmons has received 5 dogs from Leader Dogs.

Lion Rosemarie and I were able to tour the Residence Area (where clients come to bond with their new dog for 26 days) and the Canine Development Center where puppies as well as full-grown dogs are trained.

Additionally, Leader Dogs offered an optional blindfold walk. With a trainer nearby, I was taken on a blindfold walk by one of the dogs. What a humbling experience for someone who is sighted. I commented to the trainer that I preferred to slow down and the trainer told me that I was really walking quite slowly.

Leader Dogs trains Labradors (yellow, black, and a few chocolate ones), Golden Retrievers, and German Shepherds. The process is time consuming (18 to 24 months) and expensive (about \$39,000) with only a 40% success rate. But those 40% are absolutely life-changing for the clients who get these beautifully-trained animals.

Training starts with four-week old puppies where a puppy raiser incurs all costs. Although Leader Dogs employs 100 people, 1000 volunteers donate time at the facility and in their own private homes.

Another new thing I learned was that the success rate for training dogs is actually 10% higher in a prison setting. Currently seven prisons are participating in a program with Leader Dogs that has prisoners working with the different dogs. Because a prison is a highly-structured environment with a set schedule every day, dogs adapt quicker to learning.

And where would any agency be without the financial donations? Congratulations to both the Phoenix Social and the Flagstaff Sunrise Clubs who contributed \$7,500 each to the Leader Dogs Program. Both of these Lions Clubs had their names on a huge board on the information table in the meeting hall.

I was educated and awed by everything I saw that day. Leader Dogs is a wonderful organization and one that Lions can be proud to support. With over 14,000 clients since 1930, Leader Dogs for the Blind truly do make a difference in people's lives.





LIONS CAMP TATIYEE

HELP LIONS CAMP TATIYEE BY CONTRIBUTING TO THE ARIZONA WORKING POOR TAX CREDIT

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FACTS ABOUT THE WORKING POOR TAX CREDIT

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- \$200 credit for individuals and \$400 for married couples
- This credit is in addition to the school tax credit; you can do both!
- To help us make a big difference in the lives of our campers, please designate before December 31st!

To participate, simply complete the form below, or visit
www.ArizonaLionsCamp.org to pledge your support today!
You will be sent an acknowledgement for tax purposes.

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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. All donations will go to funding campers to attend camp. This donation to Lions Camp Tatiyee may be claimed as an itemized deduction on your federal tax return.

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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.



Credit for Donations made to Qualifying Charitable Organizations



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, 2015
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4. **INCLUDE** your donation among "Charitable Contributions" when filling your 2015 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.

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Street: _____ City: _____

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Thank you for your help.

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Submitted by Diana Koshewer

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The following are the acceptable formats for
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Sep	17-19	USA/Canada Forum	Grand Rapids, MI	
Oct	30	2nd Council meeting, Arizona Golf Resort	Mesa	CC Gerson Gonzalez 520-403-8426
Oct	30-Nov 1	19th Annual Mid-Year Conference, Arizona Golf Resort	Mesa	PDG Ron Rosinke 480-751-8284
Oct	31	Leos Leadership Conference, 2:09 pm, Arizona Golf Resort	Mesa	
Nov	14	Sun Bird Lions Club and Lions Foundation of Arizona Salute Our Veterans Golf Benefit, Sunbird Golf Resort	Chandler	Fred Garmeson 480-818-3603
Nov	14	Black Canyon Radio Show	Black Canyon	PCC Ralph Williamson 602-622-2401
Nov	22	Sierra Vista Lions Club, 60th Anniversary		

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Jan	9	Lions Re-Dedication Day Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial	Fort Thomas	PCC Ralph Williamson 602-622-2401 Ralph@ctcaz.com
Jan	16	Gilbert Lions Bluegrass Bash	Gilbert	PDG Ron Rosinke 480-751-8284
Jan	16-17	Area G DGE School, Best Western	Phoenix	PCC John Hart 520-248-1037
Feb	5-8	21C Convention, Prescott Resort	Prescott	TBD
Feb	13	Black Canyn 40th Anniversary	Black Canyon	PCC Ralph Williamson 602-622-2401
Feb	18-20	MD21 DGE School, Best Western	Phoenix	MD-GLT Sally Hanson 480-213-4373
Feb	27	21A Convention, Wickenburg Community Center	Wickenburg	TBD
Mar	11	3rd Council meeting, The Radisson	Tucson	CC Gerson Gonzalez 520-403-8426
Mar	11-12	21B Convention, The Radisson	Tucson	Sandy Shiff 918-705-1227
Apr	2	Black Canyon White Cane Parade	Black Canyon	PCC Ralph Williamson 602-622-2401
Apr	9	2nd VDGE training, TBD	Phoenix	MD-GLT Sally Hanson 480-213-4373
May	20	4th Council meeting, Mesa Hilton	Mesa	CC Gerson Gonzalez 520-403-8426
May	20-22	MD Convention, Mesa Hilton	Mesa	21C
June	20-24	Int'l DGE School	Fukuoka, Japan	Incoming DGEs
June	24-28	International Convention	Fukuoka, Japan	

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