



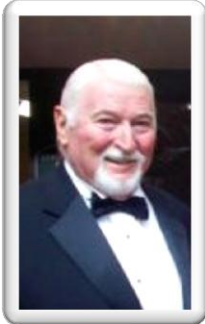
Beacon of Light

"Shine a Light on Service"



District S Newsletter - December 2011

Message from DG Mel



In November District 7-S participated in Global Leadership and Global Membership training which was held in Nebraska. There were several Districts represented at this training. Since July, the Global Leadership Team (GLT) and Global Membership Team (GMT) have been working side-by-side for club success. Each has a separate but parallel structure at the global, multiple district and district levels. District GMT and GLT coordinators have been appointed and they are, Don Cunningham (GLT) and Terry Weldin (GMT). The GMT coordinator helps identify district and club community service opportunities, assisting in setting membership goals, and identifies struggling clubs. The GMT coordinator and zone chairpersons also identify candidates (CLUBS) for the Club Excellence Process to assist clubs in community needs assessment and club goal setting to address these needs as Club Service Projects.

The GLT coordinator identifies future leaders, and provides training to district and club officers and members.

We are excited about these teams and the potential benefits they will bring to our clubs and look forward to the new roles and responsibilities of the District Zone chairpersons in working with the clubs and the GMT and GLT coordinators to assure successes.

Tree planting is going very well however our reporting on this activity has not been as good as I feel it should be. Each club needs to use the MMR activity section to report the number of trees your club has planted.

Mel Greene

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EVENT DATES TO REMEMBER

November was a very busy time for your District Governor, starting with Hillsboro Lions Club celebration of their 50th Anniversary on November 4. Next was the Baxter Springs Lions Club on November 5 for their 70th Anniversary. Garnett was next with my annual visit to their club. On November 19 we had our 2nd District 17-S cabinet meeting in Burlington, Kansas. On November 30 I was in Columbus, Kansas to drive the Columbus Fire Truck in the Columbus Christmas Parade.

So far this year I have visited 70% of the clubs in District 17-S with the following clubs to be visited in December.

- **Dec 5** --- Oswego Lions Club
- **Dec 6** --- Independence Lions Club
- **Dec 8** --- Coffeyville Daylight Defenders Lions Club
- **January 13 - 15, 2012** --- Mid-Winter Rally at Salina, Kansas
- **March 24, 35, 2012** --- District 17-S Convention, Independence, Kansas
- **June 7 - 9, 2012** --- State Convention, Wichita, Kansas

PEACE POSTER CONTEST WINNER

The winner of District 17-S Peace Poster Contest Winner is BETHANY POWS. Bethany is 12 years old and is in 6th grade in Westphalia. She lives in Garnett, Kansas. Bethany entered the contest through the Westphalia Lions Club. Her poster has been sent to our Council Chairperson Michele Hufferd and will be competing as our District 17-S representative for the Multiple District Peace Poster Contest.

GPLLI Prestige Pin Availability

The Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI) prestige pins are still available for GPLLI graduates, and former faculty, staff, and board members by contacting PID Ernie Young, eyoungks@aol.com. The pin cost is \$1.65 in person; or, \$3.90 by mail. The mailing costs are high; therefore, interested individuals may wish to arrange to purchase GPLLI pins from PID Ernie at Mid-Winter Rally (MWR), or other Lions meetings. It will be helpful if interested individuals will inform PID Ernie if they would like to purchase a pin at a Lions meeting so he will know approximately how many to bring.

Sure Sight Screening Results

Year Screened	Screening Events	Screened	Referrals	Report Date
2011-2012	48	1802	326	11-28-2011



Club News and Activities

Arkansas City Early Bird Lions Club

District Governor Mel Greene congratulating Scott Cranford on the International President's Certificate of Appreciation award which was presented to him by PID Earnest Young (right). Looking on is the President of Arkansas City Early Bird Lions Club President Bob Mathews (left) during the 30th Anniversary Celebration.



Arkansas City Lions Club

Members of the Arkansas City Lions Club have made the following improvements to the Veterans Memorial Lake Project. A 4 X 8 X 12 Silverdale Stone was donated by Born Stone Company and cut into the shape of Kansas. Engraving was done by Carroll Sandblasting Co. The base for the stone was dug by members of the Club. Concrete was donated by American Concrete. Flags were purchased by the Arkansas City Lions Club. 10 foot poles were donated by Bill and Terry Eaton and Midwest Electric Supply. 32 flags line the roadway leading to the lake and will be flown on various days throughout the year. This memorial is in honor all who have served. The shelter house in the background was put up by the Lions in memory of two of our deceased members.

Photo is courtesy of Donita Clausen/The Arkansas City Traveler. Submitted by Lion Irvin Kramer, Arkansas City Lions Club.



Emporia Lions Club



90th Anniversary group picture celebrated 10/22/2011.



Past District Governor Robert Symmonds presented Emporia Lion of the Year award to Joe and Jessica Jones as part of their 90th Anniversary Celebration.

Independence Lions Club

Drive-through flu shots a success!



Frank Stark

Flu shots were administered in the park on Saturday, Nov. 5th, and as expected, the supply was exhausted in short order. Setup began at 6:30 AM, and the "shootings" began at 9:00, with all 200 doses being administered by 10:30. There were a total of 11 Lions present for the event, as well as

65 local volunteers. The Lions who participated donated a total of 41 man hours on Saturday, so a hearty THANK YOU goes out to them as well as all the local volunteers!



Bill Caflisch

Hillsboro Lions Club



50th Anniversary Pictures (left to right).

Dorothy Wunder (Wife of Past International President William H. "Bill" Wunder), Linda McCormick (State Secretary), Ed McCormick (Past International Director), Susan Funk (President Hillsboro Lions Club), Lloyd Funk (Zone Chairman), Mel Greene (District Governor).



50th Anniversary Pictures (left to right).

Dr. William H. Bill Wunder (Past International President), Dorothy Wunder (Wife of Dr. Wunder), Linda McCormick (State Secretary), Ed McCormick (Past International President), Susan Funk (President Hillsboro Lions Club), Lloyd Funk (Zone Chairman), Mel Greene (District Governor).

Baxter Springs Lions Club



PID Ed McCormick and 2nd Vice District Governor Jess Larison discussing the events of the 70th Anniversary in Baxter Springs.



The head table at Baxter Springs 70th Anniversary Celebration with Linda McCormick State Secretary, Ed McCormick PID, Mel Greene District Governor, Danny Spaulding 1st Vice President Baxter Springs Lions Club



State Representative Doug Gatewood and wife Crystal Gatewood, Cherokee County Clerk, congratulating Keaton McCallister on being one of the charter members of the Baxter Springs Lions Club at their 70th Anniversary Celebration.

MD 17-S
Treasurer's Budget Report, 2011-2012
Lion Tim Hays, PDG
11/12/2011

General Fund

Fund	Budget Income	Budget Expenses	Actual Income	Actual Expenses
District Dues	5729.40		2494.60	
State Dues	12732.00	12732.00	6366.00	6366.00
Convention Dues	636.60	636.60	632.40	632.40
Starter funds	1000.00	0.00	1000	
2010-2011 Carryover	5178.86	0.00	5178.86	
Tail Twisting	0.00	0.00		
Interest	0.00	0.00		
Tail Twisting	0.00	0.00		
State & District Pins	525.00	390.00	70.00	390.00
Directories	0.00	555.00	6.00	555.00
Newsletter	0.00	500.00		
DG Expenses	0.00	750.00		
DG Int. Conv./USA Canada	0.00	1900.00		
1st VDG Expenses	0.00	200.00		
Travel	0.00	300.00		
Council Meetings	0.00	200.00		
DG Uniform Allowance	0.00	200.00		
2nd VDG Expenses	0.00	200.00		
Secretary Expenses	0.00	100.00		
Treasurer Expenses	0.00	250.00		128.73
Treasurer Bonding	0.00	100.00		100.00
Zone Chairpersons	0.00	450.00		
GLT Committee	0.00	1000.00		36.54
GMT Committee	0.00	1000.00		100.00
Cabinet Committee Chairs	0.00	300.00		
Cabinet Meetings	0.00	300.00		75.00
17-S Internet Site	0.00	300.00		300.00
Leadership School - GPLLI	0.00	1000.00		300.00
Peace Poster Contest	0.00	150.00		
Environmental	0.00	200.00		
District Awards	0.00	600.00		
Public Relations	0.00	200.00		
Misc. expense	0.00	100.00		49.95
Carry over for 2012		1000.00		
TOTALS	25801.86	25613.6	15747.86	9033.62

Bank Balance: \$6,714.24

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Convention Fund

Fund	Budget Income	Budget Expenses	Actual Income	Actual Expenses
Convention Dues	636.60		632.40	
2010-2011 Carryover	737.80		737.80	
Account Adjustment			80	80
TOTALS	1374.40		1450.20	80

Bank Balance: \$1,370.20

SureSight Screener Fund

Fund	Budget Income	Budget Expenses	Actual Income	Actual Expenses
2010-2011 Carryover	2350.15		2350.15	
Club Donations			990.00	
Terry Weldin				80
TOTALS	2350.15		3340.15	80

Bank Balance: \$3,260.15

Disaster Fund

Fund	Budget Income	Budget Expenses	Actual Income	Actual Expenses
Kansas Lions Foundation	5925.89		5925.89	
Disaster Funds	249.62		249.62	
TOTALS	6175.51		6175.51	

Bank Balance: \$6,175.51