



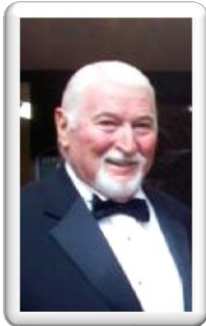
Beacon of Light

"Shine a Light on Service"



District S Newsletter - September 2011

Message from DG Mel



It is September and school has started again and all of our Lions Clubs have started meeting again after a short hot summer break. It now time for us to really get started on our plans for this Lion year 2011-2012. Here are my travel/visit plans for September.

- 9/12 Neosho Rapids
- 9/13 Girard
- 9/14 Altamont
- 9/19 Noon Cedar Vale, Evening Caney
- 9/22 Yates Center
- 9/26 Noon Sedan, Evening Howard
- 9/27 Eureka
- 9/28 Twin Cities.

We had a very exciting District Cabinet meeting in Parsons on August 27. There were 50+ Lions in attendance to start the training sessions. I would like to thank PDG Don Cunningham of the Parsons Lions club and all of the members of Parsons Lions Club for providing an exciting place to meet, as well as for the lunch meal.

Children Know Peace. Peace is the theme for this year, and we would hope that every club would sponsor a Peace Poster Contest this year. October 1st is the deadline for ordering the kits from Lions International. Once the kit is received, the club representative should make sure the person supervising the club contest (art teacher, 4-H leader, etc.) is aware of all the rules. It would be a shame to have a winning poster disqualified for a rule infraction.

November 15th is our deadline to have the club's winning poster to the district for judging. December 1 is the deadline to have your district winner sent on to be judged for the state competition. All of the District winning posters will be displayed at Mid-Winter Rally, and their artists will be invited to attend the Youth Luncheon. A copy of the actual winning poster will be displayed, as the original will have been sent by December 15th to compete at the International level. Good luck, and have fun with the contest. It's a great way to get involved with the youth of your community!

The Coffeyville Lions Club is having a Golf Tournament on September 24, 2011. There are 2 pages explaining the Tournament and an application at the end of this newsletter.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mel Greene".

melgreene@columbus-ks.com

Words from 1st Vice District Governor Bill Kincaid



In August, I attended the MD 17 Council Meeting in Great Bend with my wife, Lion Sherry. All the five districts' 1st Vice District Governors received training on our upcoming year as District Governors. We will need to start planning now in order to have a successful year 2012-2013. All 1st VDGs are enthusiastic and looking forward to serving the Lions of Kansas and our districts. If you would like to help make our district a success and are interested in a chairperson job, please contact me at 316-775-2456 or wbkincaid@cox.net.

The Arkansas City Evening Lions Club has three day care facilities signed up for Sure Sight Screener testing. They have also been in contact with a school nurse, who will coordinate with the other nurses and USD 470 administration in order to screen the Kindergarten and 1st Grades after everything has been approved and coordinated. I sent a request to the presidents of the Augusta, El Dorado, Potwin, Towanda and Whitewater Lions clubs requesting their input for a Zone 2 Chairperson. If you are interested in helping your district, we can use a volunteer.

VDG Bill Kincaid
wbkincaid@cox.net



DG Mel Greene, Secretary PDG Chris Bauer, 1st Vice District Governor Bill Kincaid, GMT PDG Terry Weldin, 2nd Vice District Governor Jess Larison, Treasurer PDG Tim Hays



Presidents in attendance at the August 27 meeting receiving I Believe Pins.

News from PDG Terry Weldin

Global Membership Team Report "I Believe"

As your Global Membership Team Chairman I am 100% "on board" with International President Tam's I Believe Theme. We must show our positive attitude and belief that we are changing the world and making it a better place as Lions.

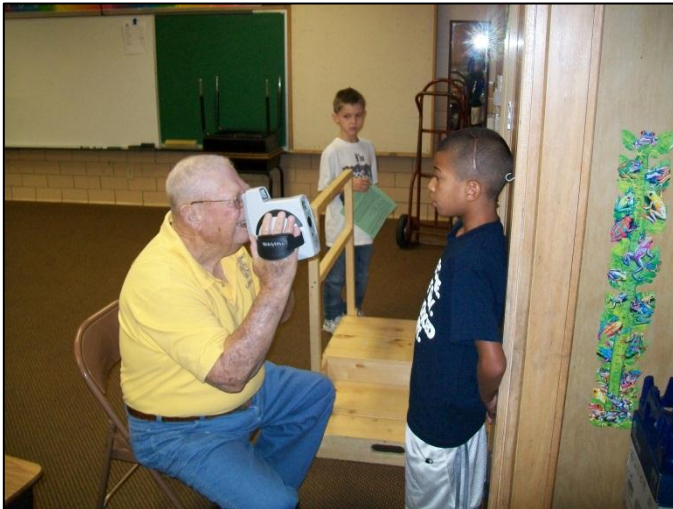
Through our (District "S" SureSight Screeners) program we are changing the world for many families and providing a very fulfilling service experience for those who are trained to use the screeners. Almost every Lion can be trained to use the screening instruments and your club needs to contact the scheduler for your area for when a screening can be scheduled. Email weldicat@hotmail.com to get samples of liability release and consent forms for screenings.

At a recent screening, I invited a friend to come and learn how to screen children at a screening and that individual will likely become a Lions member. He told me that the screening experience was a major "feel good" experience. "WE SERVE"

Arkansas City, Winfield, Yates Center, Altoona-Midway, Baxter Springs, Parsons and Coffeyville will soon be the sites of screenings. These represent screenings happening in all areas of our district.

Final Screening Total 2010-2011 • Screened 1476 with 349 referrals

2011-12 Screening Total 8-28-2011 • Screened 240 with 26 referrals



PDG Kenny VanCleave using a SureSight Screeners



PDG Kenny and Lion Verna VanCleave

Lion Wanda Weldin's first information on Lions Environmental Photo Contest

Hello Kansas Lions. The Lions of Kansas did a great job last year in supporting the International President's initiative to plant a tree in a public place. This year International President Dr. Wing-Kun Tam is asking your club to join Lions from around the world to plant a million trees and take an important step toward reversing the trend of deforestation. You are not limited to where you can plant a tree. Each Lion has an opportunity to make a big difference. Be sure to tell International about your project and the number of trees your club has planted by completing the monthly Lions Club Service Activities Report. For more information go to www.lionsclubs.org and keyword search tree planting.

District Governor Mel Greene's goal is that each Lion in District S commit to planting one tree to help achieve the one million tree goal. That is approximately 1,056 trees. He plans to offer a cash award to the club who plants the most trees per member.

About the attached form: **Kansas Lions Environmental Program report form**. It is the same form as last year; the items are just listed differently. This form is set up for members to fill out, submit to their club, and then the club will need to compile member reports. Club reports should be submitted for quarterly reporting to the district chairperson, who then will submit them to the State Chairman. Due dates for this form is Oct. 15, Jan 15, April 15 and May 15. This point system is uniform throughout the state for proper application of awards. Reports must be made quarterly (and on time) to your district chair, Lion Wanda Weldin in order to be eligible for either award.

- **State Award:** To the top district club who has the most points and who has all quarterly reports in on time) \$50 + certificate for Environmental work.
- **District S Award:** To the top district club who has the most points and who has all quarterly reports in on time) \$25 + certificate for Environmental work.

Many of the projects on the report form are things you club has been doing for years. Why not get recognition for your efforts.

Send Environmental Report Points Form to: Wanda Weldin, 727 Kennebec St., Burlington, KS 66839 or you can email them to me at wandaweldin@yahoo.com. Lion (620)364-5371.



of Helen Lundquest of the Pittsburg Lions Club with 1700 pair of used eye glasses preparing to unload them for transport to the August 27 District Cabinet meeting where they were given to Lion Lloyd Funk who is our used eye glass collection chairman.





Lions Environmental

PHOTO CONTEST

2011-2012

Now is the time to get out your cameras and start getting those great shots for the 2011-2012 Environmental Photo Contest. The categories are:

- Animal Life
- Landscape (Urban or Natural)
- Plant Life
- Weather Phenomenon
- Special Theme: *Protecting our future with trees*: Photos of trees and the vital role they play in our communities

Lions from clubs in good standing can enter an original, unaltered, black-and-white or color photo of the environment of their Lions club. Lions clubs will then select and submit five winning photos (one from each category) to the district chair by January 1, 2012. Each district is allowed to submit five photos from that district for judging at the multiple district level. There will be a \$50 cash prize for one winning photo at District S level. The Environmental Photo entries for Lions Club International contest will be judged at Mid-Winter Rally. Registered convention attendees will vote for a state winner. This multiple district 17 winner will receive a cash prize of \$50. Impartial judging of photos should focus on originality, artistic merit, and portrayal of the environmental theme. Additional guidelines and rules follow:

1. Photos must be taken of the environment of their lions club in the current Lions year.
2. Photos cannot include people, except this year's theme photos.
3. Contest photos must be on 8" x 10" (20.3 x 25.4 cm) paper.
4. Photos that are on 8" x 10" (20.3 x 25.4 cm) paper with a smaller image will not be eligible for the contest.
5. Photos must not be mounted or framed.
6. Photos depicting people will be disqualified (unless they are in accordance with the Special Theme).
7. There must not be any writing on the photo front or back.
8. All entries must use a separate sheet of paper which includes your Name, Club, District, Address, Email (optional), Phone number, and the Category entered. Include this with your photos, but do not attach to the photo as this may damage the photo. Damaged photos will be disqualified.
9. Club entries must be submitted by January 1, 2012 to: Wanda Weldin, District S Environmental Chair, 727 Kennebec St., Burlington, KS 66839.
10. Contest photos become the property of Lions Club International.
11. Lions Clubs International reserves the right to disqualify entries that do not meet the contest criteria or that may be viewed as inappropriate or objectionable.

Complete rules are available at: Lions Clubs International: www.lionsclubs.org, Kansas lion's website, and at the district website.

Wanda Weldin, District S Environmental Chair, wandaweldin@yahoo.com



Kansas Lions Environmental Photos – 2011-12



State Photo Award: This award will be presented at state convention.
\$50.00 & Certificate to the Lion member.

MD-17 (Kansas Lions) Environmental Photo entry for **Lions Clubs International** contest will be judged at **Mid Winter Rally**. **Each club may submit 1 entry in each category to the district prior to Jan. 1**. Each district may have one **entry in each of the five categories** selected from that district. There will be a maximum of 25 entries submitted. Judging will narrow the field to 5 for voting at Mid Winter Rally. Registered convention attendees will vote for their favorite photo. District chairperson (or DG) will select the best entries submitted for the contest at Mid Winter Rally. *No entries will be accepted at state convention.*

The winning entry for the state will be sent on to LCI Environmental Photo Contest. These will be on display at the international convention in 2012. The winners of that photo contest will be notified in late May or early June of 2012. International awards will be given out at a ceremony during the convention.

Rules: 5 photo categories:

- ▶ Animal Life
- ▶ Landscape (Urban or Natural)
- ▶ Plant Life
- ▶ Weather Phenomenon
- ▶ Lions Environment "I Believe"
photos of Lions performing an environment project

Complete rules are available at:

Lions Clubs International: www.lionsclubs.org , Kansas Lions website, or district website.

Lions from clubs in good standing can enter an original, unaltered, black and white or color photo of the environment.

1. Photos must be taken in Kansas during the current Lions year.
2. Photos cannot include **people**, except this year's theme photos.
3. Contest photos become the property of Lions Clubs International.
4. Lions Clubs International reserves the right to disqualify entries that do not meet contest criteria or that may be viewed as inappropriate or objectionable.
5. Photos must be in the 8 x 10 format. They should not to be mounted or framed.
6. No writing on the front of the entry. Name, Club, District, address, phone and email (if available) must be included for the winning entry. This can be on a separate sheet, a paper attached to the back of the photo or other means. No paper clips or writing on the back of the photo that may damage the photo. Damaged photos will be disqualified.

Last year's international winners may be viewed under Environmental section at www.lionsclubs.org.

Louise Greenberg, Chairman
218 E. Court St., Smith Center, KS
785-282-6822 or email: gberg@ruraltel.net



Kansas Lions Environmental Program



2011-2012

This form is available on line and from each District Environmental chairman. It now can be filled in online and printed or saved.

The following is the point system: *(Submitted quarterly)*

Lion Member _____ or Club Name _____

District _____ *Quarter* _____

Tree planted and nurtured, per tree (Million trees project) 10 points _____

Photo submitted to Environmental Photo Contest, per photo 10 points _____

Eyeglasses, prescription collection, per 10 pair 20 points _____

Cell phone collection and delivery to district, per 5 phone 20 points _____

Hearing Aid collection and delivery to district, per 5 aids 20 points _____

Start and maintain an Environmental program (one time) 20 points _____
(trees, recycling, reusing, & reducing, clean-ups)

Recycled materials, 5 lbs. (not as a business but for Lions) 10 points _____

Lion member talk to a civic group on Environmental issues 20 points _____

Lion member talk to a city council on Environmental issues 20 points/member _____

Have a non-Lion help with a project 10 points _____

Total Points *(due quarterly)* _____

Submit quarterly to your District Environmental Chairman.

By Oct. 15 for July, Aug. & Sept; Jan. 15 for Oct., Nov., Dec.;

April 15 for Jan., Feb., March; and May 15 for April, May and estimated June.



Kansas Lions Environmental Program



**This form is set up for members to fill out,
Submit to club, and then club will need to compile member reports,
Club reports should be submitted for quarterly reporting to the district
chairperson, who then will submit them to the State Chairman.**

These points need to be reported quarterly to the District Chairperson, (District Governor if a District Chairperson is not in place) who will report to the State Environmental Chairperson, quarterly.

This program started in 1972 by Lions Clubs International. As a multiple district we will follow the program as closely as possible. You may also visit the Lions website or have someone print it off for you. This point system is uniform throughout the state for proper application of awards. Reports must be made quarterly to your district chairperson. See new rules for the Photo contest regarding the 5 categories.

State Award: To the top district club, \$50.00 + certificate for Environmental work.

District Award: Option of each district.

Quarterly reports due October 15, January 15; April 15, and final by May 15.

State competition will be considered for the clubs that submit quarterly reports to the district chairman and/or District Governor.

**Coffeyville Lions Club
Proceeds to Benefit
Coffeyville
Community Projects
and Organizations**

Ways to help

1. Enter Team in Tournament and enjoy a day of golf and fellowship
2. Sponsor hole for \$100.00 or more
3. Donate prizes for participants
4. Join Coffeyville Lions Club

Make Checks payable to:

Coffeyville Lions Club

donations are tax deductible



**Coffeyville
Lions Club
4 Player Scramble
Golf Tournament**



Charity Fundraiser

**Saturday
September 24, 2011**

Coffeyville Country Club

10:00 Shotgun

**To join
Coffeyville Lions Club**

Please contact:

**Pete Gysel
President**

620-251-0902

peteg@taylorcrane.com

**Coffeyville Lions Club
PO Box 861
Coffeyville, KS 67337**

**Meetings:
Noon to 1:00pm
1st & 3rd Tuesday of each Month
Lanning's Downtown Grill**

Lions Club

Serves the Community

The Lions Clubs across the United States helps provide glasses for the indigent, provides health screenings, and is involved in the eye donor program. The Lions Clubs also help build parks, awards scholarships, assists youth, and provides help in times of disaster.

Some local organizations that have received support from Coffeyville Lions Club over this past year include the Local Salvation Army, Senior Citizens Center, and Genesis as well as trees were planted at parks around the city.



We Serve

Come Join the Festivities



Lunch provided at the turn

Beverage Cart will serve participants (Donations accepted)

Prizes Awarded

- Longest Drive
- Longest Putt
- Closest to the pin contests
- Hole-in –One prizes awarded
- Raffle prizes

Mulligan's sold day of Tournament

Carts provided or you may bring own

Check number of carts needed per team

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Leave blank if using own cart

Golfer Registration Form

Email entry to:

sblaich@parmacbrake.com

Or mail form to:

Lions Club Golf Tournament
c/o Steve Blaich
201 East 12th Street
Coffeyville, KS 67337

Deadline: September 16th, 2011

Fee 200.00 per team

Player #1 _____

Phone _____

Player #2 _____

Phone _____

Player #3 _____

Phone _____

Player #4 _____

Phone _____