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8/8 Lions Council Meeting, West Side
Lions



Council Chairs Corner

Happy New Year!!
Lions Year 2020-2021

I am very honored to be your Council Chair this year and am looking forward to helping your DG's have a successful year. I know that your District Governors are looking forward to serving their districts. A big shout out to:

DG Dollie Wooddell 3-E
DG Tom Love 3-SW
DG Robert Bodick 3-NW

And congratulations to each of the New Club Officers that have stepped up to fill your Club Officer spots. I know some of you have already held one or more offices in your Club or District. Lions International is always trying to find ways that can make our Club positions easier for us to perform our duties. Please take a look at MyLion.org and login and see just what LCI is offering our members in the way of training. Talk to your DG, they will be willing to help you navigate through the web sight.

I think you will be surprised to find all that LCI is offering you in the way of training materials that can be downloaded to share with your members or printed off to handout to your members.

Although we are no longer in "Normal Times", we will be trying to reach every Lion in Oklahoma either by email or using the U.S. Postal Service. BUT if your contact information has not been updated and entered into LCI, we will not be able to contact you. Your con-

tact information needs to be updated each year and the information has to be entered into LCI.

So if this has not been updated, you will not be receiving the information that is being sent out. If you are not sure that your contact information has been updated, contact your Club Secretary (or call the State Office). Please stay safe and we will all get through this.
Yours in Lionism

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ID Mike Banks
New Year, New Opportunities

Last year, Lions worldwide served over 275 million people—more than ever before. With COVID 19 still ravaging the world, we have greater opportunities in 2020-2021 to do even more as we are "UNITED IN KINDNESS AND DIVERSITY."

The Presidential Theme is most appropriate. As Lions, we can meet the urgent needs in response to the unrest and confusion that we all are experiencing. Our communities are tired of isolation and everyone is frustrated with new problems and challenges. There is no "return to normal," and the future is unclear. We have to adjust and find new ways to serve.

President Jung-Yul Choi's programs and initiatives will focus on four key elements of Lions Clubs

International that are essential to our mission of service:

- Addressing global causes by serving local needs
- Supporting our global foundation, LCIF
- Inspiring kindness with our stories of service

Empowering our clubs to serve safely

Kindness is at the heart of our service. Lions have known this to be true since our first clubs were formed over one hundred years ago. However, in recent years, the phrase "Kindness Matters" has grown into something more—something we say and something we live. It fits so well with our motto, "We Serve." Why do Lions serve? It is simple because kindness matters.

In times of social distancing, it is important for Lions to find ways to stay connected—to one another and their communities. When Lions stay connected, our communities benefit. Serving safely, we can find ways to serve the needs of our neighbors.

The world has changed over the past year, and so have Lions. We are finding innovative new ways to serve safely, and addressing new needs that we have not encountered before. We need to share those ideas and inspire each other to show our kindness.

2020-2021



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OKNEWSLETTER AUGUST
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DISTRICT 3East

We are ready to start the NEW Year for Lions of Oklahoma, District 3East. We will all remember the year just past as the Year of the Pandemic. We had the COVID crisis slow us down a bit but we continued our work in Lionism. We were challenged and rose to the occasion.

Our challenge is to emerge from the Covid hibernation and return to what we do best---serve our communities. Let's work together to show kindness to our members and to our communities.

To begin, let me remind you to send in your PU101s to LCI. If you need help with this, please give me a call. Your club is not recognized if you have not reported your slate of officers. Even with no changes to your officers, a report must be made for your club to LCI.

I know many clubs are finding innovative ways to continue club work. Many have used the zoom technology, some have met at outside areas. My club held its first in person meeting in July at which officers were installed by International Director Mike Banks. In attendance were ID Mike's wife, Ann, and also CC/PDG Neal Wood. We had social distancing and wore masks.



The last State Council meeting of the year was held end of June at Oklahoma City Westside Community Center and included a Mini-State Convention

Interesting report from Lion Tom Cummings, Program Director, about Kidsight. He announced our state legislature has finally signed the law that we could have screenings in schools. He has worked on this for the last five years. We will need to have qualified lions do the screening, effective Sept 1st. A class is offered on the web for certification. Go to the following web site: lionskidsightusa.org/training. It is about 1 ½ hours to complete. A certificate will be mailed to you.

District 3 East received several honors at the convention. International Director Mike Banks presented

PDG Mike Fritz with a Presidential medal and also CC/ PDG Linda Hughes with a Presidential Leadership medal. Lion David Wooddell received the Lion of the Year for 3E. Lion Colleen Fowler accepted the 2nd vp for the OLSF board. Lion Patty Bryant joined the Eye Bank Board. PVCC/PDG Neal Wood was elected as 2020-2021 Council Chair, CC/PDG Jacque Mooney was elected as vice council chair.



District Governor Dollie Wooddell was sworn in for 3East by ID Mike Banks along with DG Rob Bodick, District NW, and DG Tom Love, District 3SW. I am eager to start visitations to



learn about your plans for the year. Email me to let me know a convenient time to visit. This has been an unusual year and many plans have changed. Also, please let me know your activities within the club by the 15th of each month. I will gladly post info in the OKNewsletter. Remind members/others of your dates for fundraisers, activities, projects.

Club Reports

. Bartlesville Lions Club – ID Mike Banks installed the 2020-2021 officers this past week. In attendance was CC/PDG Neal Wood. The club has collected food for the food bank at Mary Martha's as well as diapers. Work continues on the Tuxedo Community Building.



Bristow

Met with Excell Lafayette and Brenda Shaul to present Zaria Nicole Wittman a Leo of the Year medallion from International and also a State trophy award as Lion of the Year.



Dewey

Here is a picture of their legacy project – improving the Dewey City Park. The sign has been installed to be followed by sidewalks, landscaping and new playground equipment.



Okmulgee

Holding weekly meetings. Among their interesting guests have been our CC/PDG Neal Wood and Nancy, CC/PDG Tom Cummings, our Kidsight program director.



Vinita

DG Dollie Wooddell installed new officers at a fish fry by Chef Joe



Johnson. It was delicious. Weather was perfect for outdoor gathering at the lovely home of Lion Judy Echenrode..

Wilburton

Purchased 7 pairs of glasses, Named Lion William Walter Hammers their Lion of the Year. They plan to meet July 28th. Members sent a card to each resident at local nursing homes. They are collecting eye glasses.

Pocola

Lion Jo Hayes received a Melvin Jones Award from the Pocola Lions Club for her service.

NOTE FROM MD3 Secretary Marvin Ainsworth: Please remember the following courtesy for your club when you lose a dear member. The Club Secretary must go to the MyLCI to drop the deceased Lion and indicate the reason as “deceased”. Now, this Lion will be placed in a permanent listing available for years to come. It is our final duty to honor those Lions who faithfully came to meetings, paid dues, participated in activities, supported there club and Lions.



2020-2021



District 3-NW
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Greetings Oklahoma Lions of 3 NW, I want to take this time to introduce myself and share our goals for District 3NW. As we enter into the 20-21 season we have many obstacles to overcome, and much to rebuild upon, but your District team is excited and ready to assist you and your clubs excel in this new year.

Our crazy year didn't start out with COVID, it started out with the passing of International 1st VP Lion Judge Townsend. This didn't stop us they regrouped and now International 1st VP Doug Alexander stepped into the role. We attended training in St Charles to ready us for the upcoming year. As we all know, the story didn't end there, COVID put a stop to our convention, USA Canada leadership forum and the list goes on. Clubs met on the internet and a host of new programs grew worldwide utilizing available programs.

We didn't toss in the towel, the mission never ended, the fights not over. Why? Because **"LIONS LEAD THE WAY"**. This is my motto and rally cry for this

year and let me share the back story behind it. I am retired from the Air Force; I spent most of my career in Law Enforcement as a K9 Handler and several years working with Special Operations. After I joined the Lions I recalled a story from my time with Army Rangers during my year as a club president.

On June 6 1944 at the start of Operation Overlord, then Brig General Norman Cora 29th Infantry Assistant Commander was looking for the best to attack one of the most treacherous areas The Dog White Sector of Normandy. He approached Maj Max Schneider commander of the 5th Ranger Battalion and asked, "What outfit is this". Schneider responded "We are Rangers Sir", and Cota followed up with "Well (expletive) Rangers will lead the way."

From that point on the Ranger motto was "Rangers lead the way", and that they did as they scaled mountains, fought long hard fights, overcame obstacles, and continued into enemy territory. To this day Rangers continue to be one of the most elite fighting forces in the world they are special operators, with intense training and determination.

This fellow Lions is what we

are made of, we are an elite organization that has worldwide reach, with exceptional training, and resources. When COVID 19 hit we didn't stop, clubs changed their courses and fed homeless and low income, they provided gift cards to front line workers, they donated to LCI, they reach out in many ways to the vulnerable in their communities to help them, bottom line "LIONS LED THE WAY....ALL THE WAY." This brings me to the challenges that we face this year as Lions and I know we will be up in front of any other organization around.

Goal #1 Membership: For over 30 years Lions club international Constitutional Voting areas 1 and 2 that's USA and Canada have been saying we are 1.4 million members strong. Thirty years is a long time without a net positive growth, for every Lion we gain we lose one and International has recognized that it will take ground level deep roots action to make it grow, and they are giving it back to the clubs to do what's best. We can and will grow our District. Look for new ways to grow, reach out to people you might not have thought of, start a new club in your area with new emphasis. Our Goal Net Positive Growth.

2020-2021

District 3-SW

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proximately 300 people prior to the fireworks show. – Larry Hahn



ized Lion duffle bags. Our end of school academic and extra-curricular programs were *cancelled* this past year due to the pandemic. We are checking on having our signage repaired/ replaced and painted in all four directions into town. We will be discussing a fund raiser in the near future of a Loaded Baked Potato Bar (post pandemic). -

Vinson N. Orr

Seminole Lions Club held a golf tournament on June 26th, our annual fundraiser. We raised \$10,289. We had 14 teams, 46-hole sponsors at \$100.00 each, some donated more, and 16 members participated. - **PDG Les Walker**

Walker



The Wewoka Lions Club did not meet in April or May. We started again in June but have shut down for the rest of July due to COVID-19. We did award two \$750 and two \$500 scholarships to Wewoka High School Seniors in May. We had to cancel our little

It has been a fast time since becoming the South West (SW) District Governor. Due to the COVID-19 virus, many clubs have just started back to having face to face meetings.

Some clubs have been conducting meetings by using the ZOOM program on the computer. This has become a valuable means of communicating with each other. In the future, I plan to continue using ZOOM to reach out to all the clubs in the District for training and to help with District meetings. The next SW District meeting will be held at

10:00 am, on October 17, 2020 at the OKC West Side Lions Club. We are planning to have training for all the Lions Clubs and Special Training in using ZOOM for District and Club meetings.

I am in the process of developing a visitation schedule with the different Lions Clubs in the SW District. If your club has a special date that your club would like a visit, please contact me at (580) 695-1813.

The Granite Lion's Club gave a \$300 scholarship to one of our graduating seniors. On June 20, 2020, along with the Granite Alumni festivities, our club served a free bar-b-que at the Gene Hahn City Park. Approximately 200 people were fed that day. On July 4, 2020, the Granite Lion's Club fed ice cream floats to ap-

Midwest City Lions Club - everything's different these days! Here's what our officer installation looked like this year. □ Installation performed by PDG, PCC, VCC Jacque Mooney.

The Fredrick Club has not been active or meeting the last couple of



months due to COVID-19.

We did begin our weekly noon luncheons on Thursday a few weeks ago (6/11). We meet at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall since our regular meeting spot, the Great Plains Technology Center is off limits to the public until September or further notice.

The Fredrick Club typically enters our club activities on the Lions International website. Last week we approved three needy citizens of our community with eye exams and glasses. We also recognized the top ten Sophomores at Fredrick High School with personal-

league program that is our big summer activity. - **Larry Bailey**

Cache Lions Club has \$500.00 to build a Blessing Box in the Cache City Hall. I will try and send two different newspaper articles. The Lawton Constitution misspelled my name. We have recycled some glasses. Cache Lions were in the process of vision screening all. We have purchased Red Ribbons, backpacks, pencils, erasers, dog tags for upcoming Red Ribbon Week in October to be



used at the Primary and Intermediate Schools. Our Club donated \$500.00 to Cache Schools Education Foundation to be used for Senior scholarships. We purchased the "A-Bucket-Filler," stickers for the Cache Primary Councilor to use in her Classes at the beginning of school. Cache Lions are beginning to prepare for our one and only fundraiser for Red Ribbon Week. Large wooden Red Ribbons are sold and displayed along the fence at school during October. – **Barbara Parker**



Altus Lions Our District and State Peace Poster winner Kendall Dodson

with her trophy and check. She attends Altus Christian Academy. We are proud of her!

We also awarded scholarships to six



Altus High-school seniors

Our other poster contest from our club, Foster Tischler. She attends Altus Intermediate School.



Eye Glass and Printer Cartridge Donations at the State Office:

- OKC West Side, Pat Davison 19
- OKC NW, PDG Jim Barnett 50
- Pocola, Irene Cantrell 250
- Tahlequah, Dr Hank Van Veen 400
- Kingfisher, Gerald McMullin 400
- Laverne, Merle 271
- Edmond, Marvyn Olson 258
- Mustang, 250
- OKC West Side, Pat Davison 41
- Perry, 181
- Stillwater, Doug Emde 1130
- Edmond, Marvyn Olson 185
- Stroud, 49
- OKC Downtown, 235
- Prague, 425
- Chickasha, 330
- Norman Sooner, VDG Mark Adair 400
- Edmond, Marvyn Olson 350
- Altus, 64
- Henryetta, Coleen Fowler 2035
- MWC Lions, Ray Marler 75
- Tulsa Metro, 23
- Bartlesville, Roger Fickel 1000
- N. Enid, Joe Chandler 1237
- Norman Noon, Brad Hawkins 465
- Tulsa Downtown, Patty Bryant 2000

LIONS COWBOY CADILLAC

Cowboy Cadillac is back again! This is Oklahoma Lions' premiere fundraising project. It helps support Lions State Projects, the Ok Lions Eye Bank, the Ok Lions Boys Ranch "Meadows of Hope", the Mobile Health Screening Unit, and the KidSight Program!

We are proud to present **Seth Wadley Buick Chevrolet of Ada, 1301 N Broadway Ave. Ada, Ok 74820 Ph: 580-559-2216**, as our **Grand Prize Sponsor!** Thank you to the **Ada Lions Club** for co-sponsoring the event! The drawing will be **November 14th, 2020 at 1:00 PM on the showroom floor.** The truck will be on display to celebrate our Patriotism for Veterans day. The **Grand Prize** winner will receive a **New Chevrolet extended cab Colorado** Pickup, or **\$15,000.00 cash!** In addition, each district is guaranteed to win a 2nd place prize.

Tickets are \$5.00 each and only 25 thousand will be sold! That gives each ticket holder a one in 25K chance of winning! **Please set a goal to collect \$30 in donations per member at a minimum.** \$30 from each member in the state will help reach our goal to raise 125K for Lions well deserving projects.

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Lions of Oklahoma State Patches

(6" diam.) are now available at the state
office for \$6.00 each.

Eye Glasses Recycling Boxes

are now available at the state office.

The cost is \$9.00 each.

SW Pin Swap Convention, Jan 14 – 16, 2021

Lake Murray State Lodge, Oklahoma

Council Meetings

Saturday October 31, 2020 (OKC
West Side)

Saturday January 30, 2021 (OKC
West Side)

Saturday May 1, 2021 State Conven-
tion (TBA)

