

**Lions Clubs International
MD-31 North Carolina Lions
2009-2010 Council of Governors**

Saturday, February 6, 2010

Crowne Plaza Resort, Asheville, NC

Council Chairperson Paulette Gasperson called the third meeting of the 2009-2010 North Carolina State Council of Governors to order at 9:00 AM.

District Governor Marti Hill led the Pledge of Allegiance and District Governor David Osborne gave the Invocation.

For the record, the Council met in caucus on Friday evening, February 5, 2010. Seven of the eight District Governors were present.

Members of the 2009-2010 State Council in attendance today are:

DG Marti Hill	31-A	DG Don Henry	31-G
DG David Osborne	31-D	DG Al Greene	31-H
DG Theresa Matthews	31-E	DG Bob Walton	31-J
DG Dan Boudreau	31-F		

PDG Paulette Gasperson, State Council Chairperson
PDG Ron Kelly, State Council Secretary-Treasurer

CC Gasperson welcomed all to the third State Council Meeting of the 2009-2010 Lions Year.

Governor Greene moved to approve the Agenda for today's meeting; seconded by Governor Henry. Motion passed. (See Attachment A)

There were no members of the International Family present at the Council Meeting.

State Secretary Kelly read a letter received from Lions Clubs International (LCI) regarding the cancellation of the Charter of the Bladenboro Lions Club in District 31-F ,effective 12/21/09.

Governor Hill moved to accept the Minutes of the November 7, 2009, State Council Meeting as distributed to all District Governors by e-mail and as published on the web site; seconded by Governor Boudreau. Motion passed.

Council Secretary-Treasurer Kelly presented the State Council Financial Report dated 01/31/10. He stated that the ledger and bank accounts have been reconciled and all bills have been paid. He noted that all dues for the first half of the year have been paid and that the invoices for the second half were mailed on February 2nd and would be due on March 10th. He then pointed out line item 190 which now includes the \$8,000.00 representing the \$1,000.00 to each of the districts from State

Council Reserves which will augment their funds for the "Lions in Sight" advertising program. He ended his report with a review of the Money Market Account.

Governor Hill moved to accept the State Council Financial Report; seconded by Governor Osborne. Motion passed. (See Attachment B)

Council Chair Gasperson then opened the floor to each of the District Governors to come to the podium to discuss their "State of their District." The following is a summary of their comments:

District 31-A: DG Marti Hill reported that her district was quite busy with the "Lions in Sight" Project with several TV spots being viewed in her area. In addition, four (4) billboards are planned in strategic areas around her district and several newspaper articles have been run in the Asheville Citizen-Times talking about what Lions do in their local communities. Membership continues to be a problem with a minus 20 year-to-date. In closing, she noted that her concentration from here until the end of June will focus on building membership.

District 31-B: Due to weather conditions DG Dot Nichols was unable to attend the Council Meeting. However, she did e-mail her report which stated that 31-B is having a good year. They are working very hard to get membership up and in the plus. They held a MERL Workshop at Camp Dogwood in January led by State Extension Chair Larry Gasperson. Further, a LCI New Club Workshop is planned for March 4, 5, & 6th at the Longview Lions Club with PDG Jim Cannon. Hopefully, she said, we can increase the members of one club and have a new one.

District 31-D: DG David Osborne noted that while his district is lagging in membership he has planned an LCI New Club Workshop for early March. His emphasis, he said, is to form both a Latino Club and one or two Campus Clubs.

District 31-E: DG Theresa Matthews reported that membership in 31-E is rebounding and they are in positive territory at +5. White Cane is above last year's figure at this time. There will be an Extension Workshop on March 21-23, 2010 for the Belmont Area with PDG Jim Cannon from LCI conducting the sessions. She concluded by saying that their Mid-Winter Convention was very successful.

District 31-F: DG Dan Boudreau stated that while they are currently struggling with membership, especially with regard to Campus Club, they have formed a new Lions Club in Angier. He stated that his two Vice-District Governors are very active throughout the district. He added that while both White Cane and Camp Dogwood Raffle sales are lagging behind he is confident that they will exceed their goals for the year.

District 31-G: DG Don Henry opened by saying they while his district is continuing to bring in new members retention efforts are lagging with the net result being a drop in total membership. His two Vice-District Governors are active, he said, and are working very closely with the Zone Chairs in the areas of membership and retention. As a result of this he now expects his district to finish in plus territory for the year.

District 31-H: DG Al Greene stated that with the way things are progressing in his district they should finish the year with four new clubs and a branch club. His goal this year is for 1,000 members in the district. White Cane is \$6,000.00 ahead of last year, he said.

District 31-J: DG Bob Walton reported that with the 37 new members from the chartering of a new club in Washington, NC they are in positive territory with a net +20. He is now optimistic, he said, from this experience that they could form an additional new club this year in either Belhaven or Roanoke Island. With regard to White Cane, he noted that they were over 50% toward their goal.

Council Chair Gasperson thanked the Governors for their reports.

Council Chair Gasperson called upon Lion Curtis Erickson, the 2010 State Convention Chair for his report. He stated that his committee will now be meeting monthly. The Registration Committee is already receiving registrations, he said, and the registration form and ad forms are available on the NCLF website. He concluded his remarks by saying that the Convention Committee needs approval from the Council of Governors for such items as the schedule of events, cost of vendor tables, rules of procedure, and state convention committees.

(See Attachment C)

Governor Hill moved to approve a \$100.00 charge for vendor tables at the State Convention; seconded by Governor Greene. Motion passed. This motion was subsequently modified by Governor Matthews to read that the \$100.00 fee be waived for agencies with a direct connection with Lions; seconded by Governor Walton. Motion passed.

Governor Boudreau moved that the head table be two tiered with the District Governors, International Family, the Honored Guest Speaker and the sitting Council Chair on the top tier. The First Vice-District Governors, the Council Chair-Elect and Council Secretary Treasurer be placed on the second tier. The Second Vice District Governors will sit at reserved round tables in the front of the room. Also, a reserved table will be set up for the NCLF Family; seconded by Governor Henry. Motion passed.

Note: It was agreed that the men would wear white dinner jackets and their adult companions would wear formal attire.

Governor Matthews moved that the pictures of the 2nd Vice-District Governors appear in the Convection Program; seconded by Governor Hill. Motion passed.

CC Gasperson recognized PDG Joe Silvers for a discussion of the 2010-2011 State Convention. He in turn recognized PCC Brad Logsdon, Chair of 2010-2011 State Convention who stated that he has booked the Holiday Inn Bordeaux in Fayetteville, NC for June 16th through the 19th 2011. He has blocked 192 rooms at \$85.00 per night plus tax. He has prepared three pages of ads for each District's Convention Programs inviting all Lions of that district to attend the Fayetteville State convention. Further, he will be sending invitations to the surrounding Multiple Districts to come to the 2011

Convention. He said that First International Vice President Sid Scruggs, III is projecting 900 attendees as it will be his last event of his International Presidency.

PDG Joe Silvers invited Lion Mike Schwartz to come to the podium to talk about the 2011-2012 State Convention. Lion Mike stated that District 31-E would like to host the State Convention in Charlotte, NC and once the State Council approves their request his committee will begin looking for a location. He went on to describe all the attractions in the Charlotte area.

Governor Boudreau moved that the Council approve District 31-E to host the 2012 State Convention in Charlotte, NC; seconded by Governor Greene. Motion passed.

Council Chair Gasperson recognized NCLF President John Miller. Lion John remarked that he has put quite a few miles on his truck visiting Clubs all the Lions districts in the State. He noted that both White Cane and Camp Dogwood Raffle Ticket Sales are up this year. He has been in contact with the State Governors office, he said, regarding having a recurring proclamation naming Volunteer Week at Camp Dogwood as Lions Week throughout the State.

Council Chair Gasperson made the announcement that the Peace Poster winner this year came from District 31-F. Elijah Poe, a student at West Pine Middle School in West End, NC. The sponsor was the Seven Lakes Lions Club.

Council Chair Gasperson began the Committee Reports by calling up the MERL Team for their reports. She noted that Membership Chair PCC Gary Greene was unable to attend due to a conflict with family matters and that Extension Chair PDG Larry Gasperson was at home recovering from a knee replacement operation.

Membership: Though absent from the meeting PCC Gary Greene submitted his report which may be viewed in the attachments. (See Attachment D)

Extension: As noted above, PDG Larry Gasperson was unable to attend the Council Meeting.

Retention: PCC Harvey Whitley began his presentation with a graphical illustration of our members added versus members dropped through January 31st. As of that date, he said, we stand at -83 with a total membership of 8,553. He reiterated the mantra that "retention goals are best achieved at the club level." It is imperative, he said, to recognize that a new member joined your club for a purpose and that if you meet that need your retention problem will fade away. Year to date, we have added 566 new members but this was offset by 649 drops. (See Attachment E)

Leadership: PDG Ron Staley announced that the next training session for the District Governors-Elect will be held at Camp Dogwood on February 19, 20, and 21st. This training, he said, will include Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer training and a seminar by Ginny Woolard for Spouses. He went on to state that he has submitted a request for reimbursement of training expenses to LCI. He concluded his remarks by announcing that PCC Martha Butler will be inviting the First Vice District Governor-

Elect's and each district's MERL Teams to Camp Dogwood on May 15th & 16th for a workshop.
(See Attachment F)

Global Membership Team: PCC Martha Butler thanked the MERL Team Chairs for their continued dedication and hard work while she was laid up from back surgery. The bulk of her report centered on the MERL Workshop to be held at Camp Dogwood from 9:00AM on May 15th through noon May 16th. This workshop, she said, will be held in conjunction with training with the 2010-2011 First Vice District Governors.
(See Attachment G)

Unfinished Business: PCC Dave Butler sought approval for the official 2010 crossed flag State Convention Pin. He needed to verify that the crossed flags would be Georgia and North Carolina and the number to be ordered would be 600 pins.

Governor Boudreau moved that the official 2010 State Convention Pin bear the crossed flags of Georgia and North Carolina and the quantity be set at 600; seconded by Governor Matthews. The Motion passed.

New Business: PCC Harvey Whitley announced that he would be a candidate for LCI International Director in 2012.

Council Chair Gasperson requested that Governor Greene come to the podium and call up the statewide committee chairs for their reports.

Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina: PCC W.Brad Logsdon began his report by noting that the Christmas Party had an outstanding turnout. The Lions Cottage, he said, won the best decorated cottage award. He went on to discuss the upcoming March Clean-Up day and held out an invitation to all to join in this event. In closing he remarked that one of the boys at the cottage named Coby was 6' 5'' tall and an excellent basketball player. This young man, Brad said, would like to attend a basketball camp this summer and was looking for some sponsorship money. (See Attachment H)

Campus Clubs: PDG Sydney Eudy was unable to attend and did not submit a report.

Constitution & By-Laws: PDG John O'Malley stated that his Committee reviewed the State Constitution & By-Laws and the State Policy and Procedures Manual and is recommending a number of changes: one (1) to the Constitution; two (2) to the By-Laws; and, five (5) to the Policy and Procedures Manual. As each of these recommended changes require a separate motion to approve, the changes and the state council members making the motions and seconds can be viewed in the attachment.
(See Attachment I)

Diabetes Awareness: Lion Bill Barnwell began his report by asking the question; who here today knows their glucose level. If it's over 110 a lifestyle change is in order, he said. Each of the governors received a pamphlet called the North Carolina Diabetes Prevention & Control Fact Sheet which can be viewed in the attachments.
(See Attachment J)

Historian: Lion Marlene Wooten reported that the publication of the History of North Carolina Lions Clubs is still in the publication phase. (See Attachment K)

Information Technology: PDG Paul Bledsoe was unable to attend but did submit his report via e-mail. He noted in his report that we are currently running a TV campaign throughout NC. He said that the schedule will last for several weeks with primary dollars lasting for 4 weeks. No charge commercials will run through late March and early April, he said. (See Attachment L)

Leo: Lion Terry Cauble submitted his report via e-mail noting that Districts E, F, and G Leos were active and doing fundraisers and attending Lions functions. The State Leo Convention will be held at Camp Dogwood February 26th through 28th. (See Attachment M)

Celebrate Liberty: PDG Mike Covell stated that March is the primary month for Celebrate Liberty events with the focus on March 16th, James Madison's birthday. Celebrate Liberty pins are being distributed with the cost at \$2.25 per pin. (See Attachment N)

Lions Alert: PDG Dale Dupree noted in his report that the Lions Alert Program continues to grow with programs being presented at Fall & Mid Winter Conventions. (See Attachment O)

MD LCIF Coordinator: PCC Harvey Whitley's report centered on the extraordinary work Lions have been doing in Haiti following the devastating earthquake that struck there. Lions Hope for Haiti has mobilized more than \$1.8 million to date. (See Attachment P)

Nominating: PDG Carlton Metts submitted his report listing each districts election results for District Governor, First & Second Vice District Governor, etc. (See Attachment Q)

Promotions: PDG Dave Martin will report at the Promotions Committee Meeting.

Youth Exchange: PDG Jerry Mertz was unable to attend and did not submit a report.

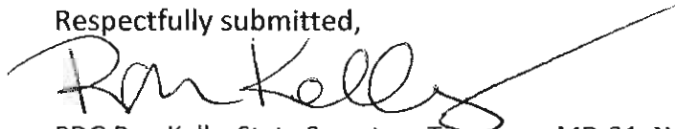
(Lions) Quest: PDG Morris Van Vleet was unable to attend and did not submit a report.

Women's Leadership: PCC Diane Whitley presented a graph showing the number of male and female lions in each district and remarked that female lions represent approximately 18-30% in our multiple districts. (See Attachment R)

A motion was made by Governor Hill to accept the Committee Reports; seconded by Governor Matthews. The Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:23 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



PDG Ron Kelly, State Secretary-Treasurer, MD-31, North Carolina

NC Lions MD-31 State Council Meeting
Meeting Agenda
9 a.m. Saturday, February 6, 2010
Crown Plaza Resort, Asheville, NC

Call To Order	Council Chairperson Paulette Gasperson
Pledge of Allegiance	District Governor Marti Hill
Invocation	District Governor David Osborne
Welcome to all Lions and guests	CC Paulette Gasperson
Approval of Agenda	CC Paulette Gasperson
Recognition of First Vice International President	Lion Sid Scruggs III
Recognition of Past International Directors	CC Paulette Gasperson
Reading of Communications	State Secretary Treasurer Ron Kelly
Appointment of Parliamentarian	CC Paulette Gasperson
Reading of November 7 2009 Council minutes	SST Ron Kelly
State Council Financial Report:	SST Ron Kelly
District Governor Comments:	
2010 State Convention Plans:	Chairperson Curtis Erickson
Status of the 2011 and 2012 Lions State Conventions :	Chairperson Joe Silvers
NCLF President:	Lion John T Miller III
MERL Team updates/goals:	
• Membership	Chairperson Gary Greene
• Extension	Chairperson Larry Gasperson
• Retention	Chairperson Harvey Whitley
• Leadership	Chairperson Ron Staley
• GMT	Chairperson Martha Butler
New Business:	
Breakfast at the International Convention	CC Paulette Gasperson
Council Chairperson	DG Theresa Matthews
Unfinished Business:	
Reports of Statewide Committee Chairs:	DG Al Greene
• Boys and Girls Home:	Chairperson: Brad Logsdon
• Campus Club:	Chairperson: Sydney Eudy
• Constitution and Bylaws:	Chairperson: John O'Malley
• Diabetes:	Chairperson: Bill Barnwell
• Historian:	Chairperson: Marlene Wooten
• Information Technology:	Chairperson : Paul Bledsoe
• Leo:	Chairperson: Terry Cauble
• Celebrate Liberty:	Chairperson: Mike Covell
• Lions Alert Program:	Chairperson: Dale Dupree
• MD LCIF Coordinator::	Chairperson: Harvey Whitley
• Nominating:	Chairperson: Calton V. Metts
• Promotion:	Chairperson: Dave Martin

- Research/Long Range Planning:
- Youth Exchange:
- (Lions)Quest:
- Women's Leadership:

Chairperson : Bob Shook
Chairperson Jerry Mertz
Chairperson: Morris Van Vleet
Chairperson: Diane Whitley

Comments from audience

Adjournment

**North Carolina Lions State Council
2009 - 2010 Council Financial Statement**

INCOME:	2009-10 Budget	01/31/10 Actual	Difference	Line Item
BAL FWD		21,906.26 ^m		100
State Dues (.Est 8850 X \$3.50 for '09-'10	30,975.00	16,941.75	14,033.25	110
Interest Received (Council + MM)	1,000.00	372.50	627.50	120
District Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Bonds	417.50	417.52	-0.02	130
State Convention Tail Twister's ticket sales and auction	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	140
State Convention Income *	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	150
Youth Exchange * (\$500 per District)	4,000.00	2,362.00	1,638.00	160
Celebrate Liberty *	500.00	100.00	400.00	165
Misc. Income not Budgeted	138.00	8,031.80	-7,893.80	190
	<u>43,530.50</u>	<u>28,225.57</u>	<u>15,304.93</u>	
Total Income	43,530.50	28,225.57	15,304.93	
EXPENSES:				
Financial Audit	300.00	0.00	300.00	200
District Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Bonds	417.50	417.50	0.00	210
State Secretary/Treasurer's Bond	103.00	103.00	0.00	215
Clerical Services - NCLF	600.00	300.00	300.00	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	400.00	133.59	266.41	230
Printing (NCLF, SST, Ck printing)	550.00	137.68	412.32	240
Postage (NCLF, SST, and CC)	250.00	0.00	250.00	250
Telephone (SST)	50.00	0.00	50.00	260
Awards, Plaques and Gifts	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	270
State Council Meeting Rooms	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	280
Expenses - State Secretary/Treasurer	3,000.00	300.49	2,699.51	290
Council Chair - Statewide Expenses	5,000.00	2,202.96	2,797.04	300
Council Chair - International Convention	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	305
State Convention - cash advance	0.00	0.00	0.00	310
Membership committee	1,000.00	440.20	559.80	320
Extension Committee	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	330
District Extension Workshops	2,100.00	0.00	2,100.00	335
Retention Committee	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	340
Leadership Committee	5,500.00	1,018.00	4,482.00	350
State Council Committee Expenses	6,000.00	3,150.89	2,849.11	360
Celebrate Liberty *	1,000.00	834.91	165.09	380
Leo Clubs Expenses	500.00	300.00	200.00	390
Youth Exchange *	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	400
Information Technology/ Public Relations	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	410
Peace Poster Award - bond, hotel, banquet, plaque	500.00	0.00	500.00	425
Boys & Girls Home Committee	400.00	400.00	0.00	426
Lions Quest	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	427
Diabetes Awareness	200.00	246.62	-46.62	428
VDG Clothing Allowance (8 people @\$130 each)	1,040.00	1,040.00	0.00	430
CC & Secr/Treas clothing allowance (@ \$130 each)	260.00	0.00	260.00	431
CC, SST, DG & VDG Jacket Crests - 18 x \$20	360.00	359.40	0.60	435
Misc Expenses not budgeted	0.00	8,025.60	-8,025.60	440
	<u>43,530.50</u>	<u>19,410.84</u>	<u>24,119.66</u>	
Total Expenses	43,530.50	19,410.84	24,119.66	
Income Less Expenses	0.00	8,814.73	-8,814.73	

* designated accounts in Money Market

Checking Balance on Hand	28,482.84
Money Market Total	52,986.60
Total Council Assets	<u>81,469.44</u>

**Money Market #450
Council Designated Accounts
2009-2010
Money Market Allocation**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Withdrawal</u>	<u>Deposit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
		10/30/09	Grand Total Money Market Account			52,986.60
1. State Convention Reserves	Bal. Fwd.	7/19/09				17,133.84
		8/3/09	08-09 accum.interest dispersal (48%)		468.52	17,602.36
		10/1/09	Repayment plus profit 08-09 conv		15997.68	33,600.04
2. Celebrate Liberty	Bal. Fwd.	7/19/09				0.00
	withdrawal	7/19/09	to Council - expenses exceeded income			0.00
3. Youth Exchange	Bal. Fwd.	7/19/09				3,194.24
		08/03/09	08-09 accum.interest dispersal 4%)		42.45	3,236.69
		10/1/09	District 31-G		500.00	3,736.69
		10/1/09	District 31-E		500.00	4,236.69
		11/27/09	Districts 31-J, 31-F		862.00	5,098.69
4. State Council Reserves	Bal. Fwd.	7/19/08				21,456.00
		8/3/09	08-09 accum.interest dispersal (48%)		468.52	21,924.52
		1/31/10	"Lions In Sight" promotion - to Council	8,000.00		13,924.52
Interest Received	Bal. Fwd.					924.37
	Deposit	7/31/09	Interest on Account		55.12	979.49
		8/3/09	Dispersal of accrued interest	979.49		0.00
		8/30/09	Interest on Account		54.11	54.11
		9/30/09	Interest on Account		52.43	106.54
		10/30/09	Interest on Account		75.06	181.60
		11/30/09	Interest on Account		73.54	255.14
		12/31/09	Interest on Account		57.44	312.58
		1/29/10	Interest on Account		50.77	363.35

2008-09 Money Market Ledger

10/30/09

<u>Bal. Fwd</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Withdrawal</u>	<u>Deposit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
		7/19/09	bal. fwd 2008-2009 MM account			42,708.45
		7/31/09	Interest on Account		55.12	42,763.57
		8/3/09	08-09 Dispersal of accrued interest			42,763.57
		8/31/09	Interest on Account		54.11	42,817.68
		9/30/09	Interest on Account		52.43	42,870.11
	on line	10/1/09	Transf from Council - State Conv/Youth Ex		16,997.68	59,867.79
		10/30/09	Interest on Account		75.06	59,942.85
		11/27/09	Youth Exchange 31-J, 31-F		862.00	60,804.85
		11/30/09	Interest on Account		73.54	60,878.39
		12/31/09	Interest on Account		57.44	60,935.83
		1/29/10	Interest on Account		50.77	60,986.60
	on line	1/30/10	"Lions In Sight" promotion - to Council	8,000.00		52,986.60

State convention report February 2010

The state convention committee for 31-A had their first of the year meeting on January 17, 2010 at the crown plaza resort in Asheville. Many areas were discussed and will be summarized today. The committee will be meeting monthly now or as needed until the convention is over.

All committees reported and are well under way with their collected duties.

Family fun night and tail twisters' breakfast are set up although we are still listening to bands, one of the bands the Lions will hear on Saturday evening.

Registration is already receiving registrations and the registration forms and ad forms are on the NCLF website. The program book is in development but this is where the committee needs the most help. We need the council to go to their districts and sell ads to clubs and businesses. These are tough economic times and our fund raising is slow to develop and are main support of the convention will be ad sales. Also for the program book we need the rules of procedure, Pictures of the District Governors and district governors elect, and the state convention committees 2010.

Protocol was heavily discussed and the committee needs to decide what the head tables should look like. Also how the committee wants to seat the second vice district governors.

All vendors will have to be approved by this committee which PCC Dave butler is handling for the committee which he has already gotten requests for. We also need the council to set a price for table rental and what organizations qualify for no table costs.

The schedule of events has been gone through and finalized for the committee's approval today. All changes have been made and copies given to CC Paulette Gasperson and Secretary/ Treasurer Ron Kelly.

Summarizing the approval needs of the committee- schedule of events, Cost of vendor tables, rules of procedure, state convention committees 2010. We also need pictures of the council of governors and governors elect and how you want the head tables set up.

Don't forget tonight we have live music, food, and a timber lake print to auction off.

The committee thanks you for letting us serve,

Lion Curtis Erickson
District 31-a state convention chair.

Schedule of Events

2010 NC Lions State Convention

05/27/10-05/30/10

THURSDAY, May 27, 2010

1:00 pm - until	Open Press Room	Swannanoa
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Registration	Laurel Desk
7:00 - 9:00 pm	International Family Dinner (By Invitation only)	Fox Fire

FRIDAY, MAY 28, 2010

7:00 am- until	Press Room	Swannanoa
8:00 am- 7:00 pm	Registration	Laurel Desk
8:15 am - until	Golf Tournament -----	Board moor CC
1:00 - 5:00 pm	Hospitality Room open	Fox Fire
1:00 - 4:30 pm	Pin Trading -Exhibits	Biltmore Foyer
6:30 - 10:00 pm	Fun Night	Expo Center
	Presiding-----	CC Paulette Gasperson
	Invocation-----	State Chaplin DG David Osborne
	Pledge-----	-----DG Marti Hill
	Introduction of Honor Guests-----	CC Paulette Gasperson
	Announcements-----	Lion Curtis Erickson Convention Chair
	Dinner and entertainment	

SATURDAY, MAY 29, 2010

7:00 am - until	Press Room	Swannanoa
6:00 am -7:00 pm	Registration	Laurel Desk
7:00 - 9:00 am	Tail Twisters Breakfast	Expo Center
	Presiding-----	DG Bob Walton
	Pledge-----	DG Marti Hill
	Invocation-----	State Chaplin DG David Osborne
	Breakfast	
	Recognition of Key members, Melvin Jones Fellows, Jack Stickley Fellows, William L. Woolard Partners-in-service, Oldest and Newest Lions-----	DG Bob Walton
	Tail Twisters In action-----	PDG Joe Silvers
	Announcements-----	Lion Curtis Erickson Convention Chair
	Benediction-----	State Chaplin DG David Osborne
9:15 - 11:45 am	General Session #1	Ball Room
	Call to Order-----	CC Paulette Gasperson
	Presiding-----	CC Paulette Gasperson
	Pledge-----	DG Marti Hill
	Invocation-----	State Chaplin DG David Osborne
	Welcome-----	(Mayor Asheville)
	Response-----	1 st Vice President Lions International Sid Scruggs

Saturday May29,2010

General Session #1

Introduction of head table-----PDG Ron Kelly
 Appointment of Parliamentarian-----CC Paulette Gasperson
 Presentation of Int'l Officers and Past Int'l Officers-----CC Paulette Gasperson
 2nd presiding officer-----DG Theresa Matthews
 Report of rules committee-----PDG Herb Justice
 Preliminary Report of Credentials Committee-----Lion Mike Reid
 3rd presiding officer-----DG Al Greene
 Report of MERL Team Chairperson-----PCC Martha Butler
 4th presiding officer-----DG Dot Nichols
 Report of State Council-----CC Paulette Gasperson
 5th presiding officer-----DG Dan Boudreau
 Report of NC Lions Foundation-----NCLF President John T. Miller III
 Announcements-----Lion Curtis Erickson, Convention Chair
 Benediction-----State Chaplin DG David Osborne
 Adjourn 1st general session

12:00 - 1:00 pm PDG (Past District Governors') Luncheon Overlook
 Presiding-----PCC Brad Logsdon
 12:00 - 4:00 pm Hospitality Room Fox Fire
 1:30 - 2: pm Town Hall Meeting Ball Room
 Presiding-----CC Paulette Gasperson
 2:30 - 3:00 pm International convention meeting (Lions Attending) Ball Room-PID Lacy Presnell
 9:00am - 4:30 pm Tours to Cherokee or Biltmore house or Asheville mall-----PDG Jim Edgar
 4:00 - 5:00 pm Certification of Convention Delegates Ball Room
 6:15 - 6:45 pm Line up of Head Tables Expo Center
 7:00 - Until **District Governors Banquet** Expo Center
 Master of Ceremonies-----CC Paulette Gasperson
 National Anthems-----Lion Chuck Hixon
 Invocation-----State Chaplin DG David Osborne
 Introduction of Head Tables, 1st and 2nd vice district governors, NCLF Officers, and other
 guests-----PDG Ron Kelly

DINNER

Special Presentations-----District Governors
 Hall of Fame Induction-----CC Paulette Gasperson, DG of Inductee
 Introduction of Honor Guest-----1st Vice President Lions International Sid Scruggs
 Address-----Past Lions International President Jim Ervin
 Presentations-----CC Paulette Gasperson
 Results of Silent Auction-----PDG Joe Silvers
 Announcements-----Lion Curtis Erickson, Convention Chair
 Benediction-----State Chaplin DG David Osborne

SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2010

7:00 am - until Press Room Swannanoa
 7:00 am -12:00 noon Registration Laurel Desk
 8:00 - 9:15 am Certification of Convention Delegates Overlook

STATE MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Governors, my apologies for not being to join you this weekend. I hope this report will give you a global update on the State of Lions Membership in North Carolina.

My congratulations to District E at Plus 5 and District J at Plus 22 who are positive in membership growth for the year. You have highly capable District Membership Chairs who are helping with your success.

So where do we stand in the state at this point? Numbers do not tell the whole story, but here's a quick snapshot by the numbers. Overall, our statewide membership has fallen by 1.55 percent over the past 12 months. It sounds small, but this represents 135 fewer Lions – the equivalent of almost seven clubs. However, there are some bright spots.

- Districts F and H membership numbers exceed their numbers from a year ago. New club development and district-wide membership recruitment are at the heart of their success.
- District H leads the state in new member recruitment with 78 new Lions thus far. Districts F, E, and J are not far behind. We have had one district that has recruited as few as 17, but I'm sure those numbers are sure to turn around.

Membership recruitment as a whole is holding steady. Last year at this point, we recruited 424 new Lions; this year, we stand at 418.

But of course, we are not satisfied with simply holding steady. To reach our statewide goal of 10,000 Lions by June 2011, we have quite simply got to reach for that higher gear. There are Lions throughout the state that have been working quite hard for some time now.

I continue to hear positive reports from Debbie Hicks out of District A who is working tirelessly to increase membership there. PDG Carlton Weeks over in District H has made 10 presentations in his district and has himself recruited new Lions. He says, "I feel very confident that by year's end we will be at a plus membership." The word from Lion Rich Beck over in District B is equally heartening. Most of his clubs have had membership dinners with some success. In North Wilkesboro, the Lions there had a meeting with the Millers Creek Fire Department to ask them

about membership; 45 firemen showed up and expressed a strong interest in joining. Lion Rich himself has recruited new Lions and has some more nipping at the bait.

There are reports that several clubs participated in the Lions In Sight promotion encouraged by President Eberhard Wirfs. And as you know, the fantastic television campaign spearheaded by PDG Paul Bledsoe is under way. Governors, I encourage you to use the pre-written news releases Lion Paul has provided to you. Be sure to ask your Public Information and Education District Chair to send the releases to your media list.

In the coming months, expect to see more articles in your district newsletters about membership. Please continue to encourage your clubs on your club visits about the importance of bringing together more hands to help in our local communities. My best to each of you.

- Gary Greene

State Membership Chair

Retention Committee Report
MD 31 Council of Governors
February 6, 2010 Asheville, NC

As part of my report in November, I included a graphical presentation of our members added versus members dropped through October 2009. I have updated this report with data available through January, 2010. At the end of October, 2009, we had an overall gain of +3 since the beginning of our Lions year in July. At the end of November, we were +8. Then came the December housecleaning and we fell to -74. As of January 31st we stand at -83 with a total of 8,553 total members. As I said in my last report, if you were running a business and this reflected your employees hired and employees quitting would this be a major concern that you would want to aggressively address?

Retention goals are best achieved at the club level. Each club needs a club retention chairperson who will assure that drops are addressed. Each club needs to do a self evaluation as to how they can improve their retention. Support must come from the top, but the real difference in improving retention will happen at the club level.

Along with club level evaluations, a strong orientation program is needed. Orientation is just like training a new employee in a business. New Lions must be trained and put to work or they will be out the door.

A friend of mine from the Memphis Forum Host Committee recently shared with me the following:

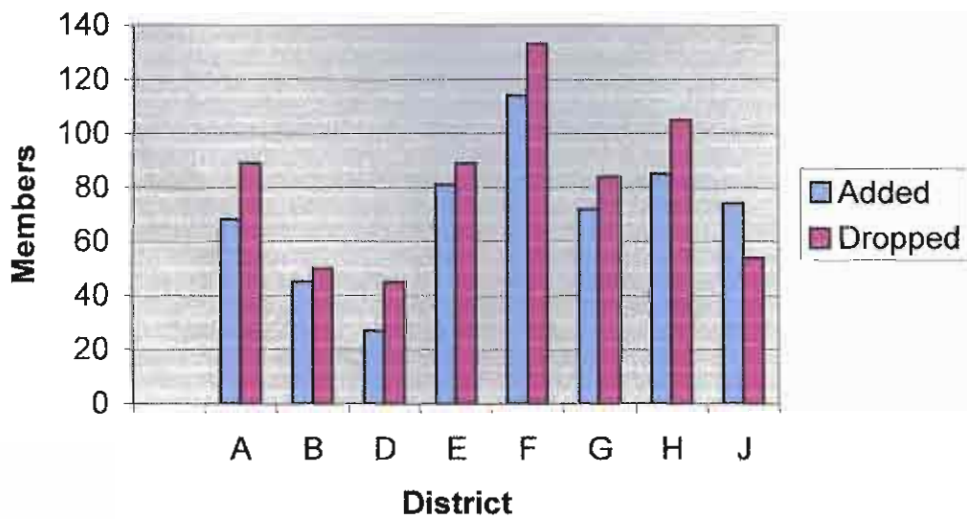
"A new member joined for a purpose. Demand to know what his or her passion is and how your Club can respond! It might be to save the world, defeat global warming, or just to socialize – that's fine. IDENTIFY THE NEED AND MEET IT. Your retention problems will fade away!"

It may not be that simple, but improved retention can be, must be and will be a major factor to our reaching the 10,000 members we are aiming for by the end of 1st VP Sid's term as an executive officer.

Harvey F. Whitley, PCC
MD 31 Retention Chairperson

Members Added vs. Members Dropped				Through January 2010
District	Added	Dropped	Net	Members
A	68	89	-21	1172
B	45	50	-5	843
D	27	45	-18	1044
E	81	89	-8	1338
F	114	133	-19	1243
G	72	84	-12	1161
H	85	105	-20	949
J	74	54	20	803
MD31	566	649	-83	8553

**Members Added vs Members Dropped
Thru 01/10**



**Ron Staley
MD 31 Leadership Development Chair
February 6, 2010
Council of Governors Meeting**

Council Chair Paulette and Governors,

The next training session for the District Governors Elect will be held at Camp Dogwood on February 19, 20 and 21st. We have a full weekend planned which will include training of Cabinet Secretaries, Treasurers and Secretary/Treasurers. Since this Council of Governors will be serving under International President Sid, we have also planned a seminar by Ginny Woolard for the Spouses (Adult Companions). Ginny will talk about the activities and meetings she and PIP Bill were involved in during the year including the International Board meeting held in North Carolina. One thing I have discussed with 1st VP Sid is the need for next year's governors to be a part of his year as International President even though he will be fulfilling obligations outside of North Carolina.

A request for reimbursement of training expenses has been mailed to LCI. If we receive the full amount we can expect to receive \$900 to offset some of the expenses of the Governors Schools at Camp Dogwood.

Finally a goal I had mentioned earlier this year is for the Governors Elect to have an opportunity to participate in a planning session where they could focus on next year with some of their district leaders. With the assistance of PCC Martha and the MERL team we hope to accomplish this. PCC Martha Butler will be inviting the Governors Elect, 1st Vice Governors Elect and each district's MERL teams to Camp Dogwood on May 15th and 16th for a planning session. Listen closely 1st Vice Governors Elect, you are still scheduled to be at Camp Dogwood on Friday, May 14th for Governor's School. You will be invited to stay the rest of the weekend, May 15th and 16th for the Planning session with the Governors Elect and the MERL teams. If this is confusing any of you just block out the weekend of May 14, 15 and 16 on your calendar and you will receive details from PCC Martha and me.

Again I want to thank this Council of Governors for giving me one of the most enjoyable and exciting jobs I have had as a Lion.

Ron Staley, PDG
MD 31 Leadership Development Chair

Global Membership Team Report

February 6, 2010

By: Martha Butler, PCC

State Chairperson

Before I begin my report, please allow me to apologize to you for not being more active than I have been in promoting the Global Membership Team during this lions year. I want to thank you, the Council of Governors, the lions in attendance here today and the lions across the state for your wonderful cards, notes, emails and prayers, especially your prayers. I thank each of you from the bottom of my heart for your love and concern. Please allow me to also thank our MERL Team Chairpersons, for their continued dedication, and hard work in their respective areas of service. Our state is fortunate to have such dedicated Lions serving in these important positions.

I did have back surgery on October 28th and the surgery was a success. I saw the surgeon yesterday and I believe, barring some unforeseen complication, that I am on the road to a complete recovery.

I have a couple of requests for this council.

- 1- I have received quarterly reports from some governors but not from each of you. Please send me a report as soon as you can.
- 2- Please add my name to your list of newsletter recipients.

I am excited about the new clubs that have been chartered this year, and the plans that are being made for improving our membership through induction of new members, retention of current members and chartering new clubs. I am aware that some districts have already set dates for LCI Extension Workshops and others are making plans for the same. If I can help in any way, please don't hesitate to call.

I know that our District Governor Elects are working hard selecting their 2010-2011 Cabinet members and Committee Chairpersons and will soon receive their final in state training the weekend of February 19th thru the 21st.

In August I submitted to Council Chairperson Paulette a request for funds to hold a MERL Team Training Workshop in 2010 similar to the one that was held in April of 2009. After talking with PDG Ron Staley, and other members of the MERL Team I request your approval, to hold this MERL Workshop beginning at 9:00 Saturday morning May 15th thru noon of May 16th. The lions attending would probably need to arrive at Camp Dogwood on Friday May 14th, in order for the workshop to begin at 9:00 AM on May 15th. This extra night's lodging and two more meals would be added expenses to the budget that I submitted in August.

This workshop would be held in conjunction with the training for the 2010-2011 First Vice District Governors and would give adequate time for each District to plan their course of action for the following year.

<u>List of Lions Invited to Participating</u>	<u>Number of Lions</u>
2010-2011 Council Chairperson	1
MD 31 GMT Chairperson	1
MD 31 Membership Chairperson	1
MD 31 Extension Chairperson	1
MD 31 Retention Chairperson	1
MD 31 Leadership Chairperson	1
8 District GMT Chairpersons	8
8 District Membership Chairpersons	8
8 District Extension Chairpersons	8
8 District Retention Chairpersons	8
8 District Leadership Chairperson	8
8 District Governors Elect	8
8 1 st VDG Elects (VDG training will be held on Friday night May 14 th . If needed will finish on Sunday Morning.)	8
Total	62

Cost of Rooms Per Day	\$25.00	Double Occupancy
Meal Cost per person	27.50	
Dinner Friday Night		
Dinner Saturday	\$ 10.50	
Breakfast Sunday	8.00	
Lunch Sunday	9.00	
TOTAL	\$ 27.50	per person
Snacks if provided by Camp	\$ 2.50	per person

Projected number of Lions attending	40+
Snacks on Saturday=	\$ 100.00
\$ 27.50 X 40 Lions =	\$1,100.00
\$ 25.00 X 40 Lions =	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>
Total projected cost	\$ 2,200.00

The total cost of the workshop was \$1720.90
It is my understanding that there will be changes made to the Global Membership Team concept next year, but at this time I have not received what those changes are. I hope to learn about them soon.

Thanks, in advance for what the MERL Team hopes is a favorable answer to our request.

BOYS AND GIRLS HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA
QUARTERLY REPORT
February 6, 2010

A huge thank you goes out to all the Lions of North Carolina for their many gifts for our children at Christmas. They appreciated not only the gifts, but the visits, fellowship and meals. More thanks to all the clubs that invited the children to visit their club take the boys shopping; attend festivals, fairs or just showing them someone cares.

The Lions Cottage new teaching parents Keith and Alethea Hoppe did a tremendous job decorating with the Christmas lights provided by Lion Bill Caudill of the Shallotte club. It was the best decorated cottage on campus! Twenty four Lions clubs statewide provided ornaments for the cottage's Christmas tree.

In the first six months of our Lions year you contributed \$20,572.50 to the Homes to benefit the children, that's nearly 50% of all the civic clubs donations. Thank you again!

Exciting news from Chaplain John Cobb; the Boys and Girls Homes Chapel had our first former resident get married in the Chapel on the Friday before Christmas. Ms. Juanita Guthrie married Brandon Baldwin of Hallsboro, NC. Chaplain John was honored and privileged to perform his first BGH resident wedding.

Lion Paul Laird resigned from Boys and Girls Homes to accept a position at Fort Fisher. As part of a redefining of job responsibilities, Beth Scisco from UNC-W took the new position as Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations. As Beth soon found out the highlight of Christmas at BGH is the appearance of Santa (aka Tom Lamont). She had no idea Santa could dance so well.

The foster care program continues to grow and with the expansion into Anson, Cumberland and Mecklenburg counties, that makes 17 counties being served by Boys and Girls Homes. This includes recruiting, training and supervising foster care parents.

2010 will be a special year for Lions at Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina. It marks the 50th Anniversary of the Lions Cottage, built in 1960 on the Lake Waccamaw campus. A special Anniversary pin has been designed to communicate this special Anniversary. They should be available for sale in late March.

Many maintenance projects continue to be identified, a couple from the Lions Cottage needing funding are new dining room chairs, and replacing bedroom and hallway light fixtures with damage resistant, energy efficient ones.

If you want a first hand look at what needs to be done in our cottage or even get involved in the effort; mark March 6th on your calendar for our 5th Annual "Work Day". We will have a list of projects needing to be accomplished, like cleaning around the outside, planting spring flowers, trimming shrubs and any where help is needed. The Optimist will also be on campus doing the same for their cottage. Last year they had more workers than we did, but only by two. Will we have more hands on deck this year? Governor Dan will again be on hand to do a great job cooking the burgers and hot dogs for our lunch.

Look forward to seeing you at 9:00 am on Saturday, March 6th.

Thank you for allowing me to serve the children.

Brad Lagsdon, PCC

Current:

“State Secretary/Treasurer Selection Process” State Constitution, Article V, Section 2
 States: The New State council shall elect a State council Secretary-Treasurer, who in the discretion of the State Council, may be other than a State council member, to a one-year term. No Lion may serve as State Council Secretary-Treasurer for more than five (5) consecutive one-year terms. The new State Council may, at its discretion, consult with the outgoing State Council concerning the performance of that Council’s Secretary-Treasurer in considering the election of the Secretary- Treasurer for the new State Council.

1. Any active Lion interested in the position of State Secretary-Treasurer shall submit their name and resume of service to the State Nominations Chairperson **December 31st (received by December 31st)**.
2. The Nominations Chairperson shall submit copies of all resumes received to each currently serving First Vice District Governor by **January 20th (received by January 20th)**.
3. The currently serving First Vice District Governors will review these resumes, conduct interviews, and make their selection by the majority of a secret ballot. One First Vice District Governor shall act as spokesperson for the group during these interviews.
4. The selection of the State Secretary-Treasurer shall be made at the **February** State Council Meeting.

Approved: At “open” State Council Meeting---November 8, 2008 Page 7

Change:

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M-DG WALTON S-DG BOUDREAU
MOTION PASSES



CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

TO

N. C. COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

February 6, 2010

DISTRICT GOVERNORS, VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS, FELLOW LIONS

The committee, which is comprised of the following members

**A- Dave Butler, PCC B- Bob Cole, PDG D- Johnny Stuart, PDG
E- John J. O'Malley, PDG F- Robert Hughes G- James Valsame, PDG
H- Billy Mason, PDG J- Alex Thannikary, PDG**

Our committee is charged with reviewing the State Constitution & By-Laws, NCLF By-Laws as well as the State Policy Manual and recommending changes when appropriate.

We have reviewed these documents and recommend the following.

BY-LAWS – (Page 15)

Amendment # 7

Article III, Section 9 – Page 25 – Promotion

Add a paragraph: “This committee is composed of the current Council of Governors and the Immediate Past Council of Governors.”

**M-DG Boudreau
MOTION PASSES**

S-DG Henry

Respectfully Submitted,

**John J. O'Malley, PDG
Chairperson, Constitution & By-Laws**

MD 31 State Constitution and By Laws
By Laws

Current:

Section 7. Past District Governors interested in the position of Council Chairperson shall submit their name and resume of service by December 31st to the State Nominating Chairperson. After certifying qualifications, the names and copies of resumes are to be submitted to the currently serving First Vice District Governors no later than January 20th.

The currently serving First Vice District Governors will interview each candidate and make their selection by the majority of a secret ballot. One First Vice District Governor shall act as spokesperson for the group during these interviews.

The selection of the Council Chairperson shall be made at the February State Council Meeting.

Change to:

M-DG MATTHEWS S-DG BOUDREAU
MOTION PASSED

Delete Section 7



**CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT
TO
N.C. LIONS COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
February 6, 2010**

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STATE POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL

Amendment # 10

UNIFORM ALLOWANCE Page 4, Paragraph 3., Lines 4-5-6.

"If State Secretary/Treasurer is reelected to a 2nd or 3rd term, and the uniform does not change, the allowance will cover 2 or 3 years as it does for the 2nd Vice District /1st Vice District Governor/District Governor's years."

M-DG MATTHEWS
MOTION PASSED

S-DG BOUDREAU

Amendment # 11

Anywhere in the Policy & Procedures Manual where the word "Chair" or "Chairman" is used it will be changed to "Chairperson" as required by Lions International.

M-DG OSBORNE
MOTION PASSED

S-DG GREENE

Amendment # 12

LIBERTY AGREEMENT --- Page 14

The Liberty Day Agreement ended in 2007. After that date we can no longer call our program "Liberty Day". It was agreed to drop the word "Day" So as of 2008 this program should be called the "Liberty Agreement". All references to "Liberty Day" should be changed to "Liberty Agreement" where found in these documents.

M-DG HILL
MOTION PASSED

S-DG WALTON

STATE POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL (Continued)

Amendment # 13

NORTH CAROLINA LIONS HALL OF FAME - Page 11- Induction (2nd sentence)

ADD: For the living nominee the presentation will be made by the Council Chairperson and his/her District Governor.

For the deceased nominee the presentation will be made by the Council Chairperson and the appropriate District Governor to the Family of the nominee if present. If the Family is not present the District Governor will be responsible for making the presentation to the Family at an appropriate time and place.

M - DG OSBORNE S - DG WALTON

Respectfully Submitted,

MOTION PASSES

John J. O'Malley, PDG
Chairperson, Constitution & By-Laws Committee

MD 31 Lions Policies and Procedures Manual

Current:

“State Council Chairperson Selection Procedure”

Past District Governors interested in the position of Council Chairperson shall submit their name and resume of service by **December 31st** to the State Council Secretary/Treasurer. After certifying qualifications, the names and copies of resumes are to be submitted to the currently serving Vice District Governors no later than **January 20th**.

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The Council Chairperson so selected will be a voting member of the Council of Governors and while so serving shall not concurrently serve as a chairperson of any statewide committee.

Change to:

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M - DG MATTHEWS S - DG GREENE

MOTION PASSES

Good Morning Governors and Fellow Lions:

Diabetes Awareness! How many of you know your glucose level.

Is it under 100, under 110? If it is not under 110, we need to exercise,

change our diet: eliminate some carbohydrate and increase our fruits and vegetables

If you are diabetic, you have heard this and many other suggestions about

controlling your glucose .

I have place at your table the latest information about diabetes in North Carolina.

You will find some shocking details in this report from NC Diabetic Prevention and

Control.

Diabetes Awareness Chairperson,

William Barnwell

Diabetes in North Carolina



Prevalence

- In 2008, North Carolina ranked 17th highest for adult diabetes prevalence among all states in the U.S.¹
- An estimated 643,000 North Carolinians or 9.3 percent of the total state adult population had diagnosed diabetes in 2008.² Another 232,000 were estimated to have undiagnosed diabetes. There were an estimated 376,000 adults with prediabetes³ in the state. Altogether, an estimated 1.25 million adults in North Carolina had some form of hyperglycemia (high blood sugar levels) in 2008.



Table 1.
Demographic characteristics for adults with diagnosed diabetes, North Carolina, 2008

Demographic Characteristic	Prevalence Rate (%)	C.I. (95%)*	Number of adults (weighted)
Diagnosed diabetes, Total	9.3	8.8 – 9.9	643,131
Gender			
Male	9.2	8.4 – 10.1	306,609
Female	9.4	8.7 – 10.2	336,521
Race/Ethnicity			
White	8.4	7.9 – 9.1	409,627
African American	15.6	13.8 – 17.5	192,133
Native American	12.4	8.7 – 17.3	13,200
Hispanic	4.5	2.9 – 6.9	24,797
Other minorities	4.3	2.8 – 6.5	26,408
Age			
18-24	1.2	-	10,563
25-34	2.5	1.6 – 4.0	21,516
35-44	5.4	4.3 – 6.8	72,341
45-54	9.7	8.4 – 11.2	124,560
55-64	17.0	15.4 – 18.8	172,230
65-74	20.1	18.2 – 22.1	126,003
75+	22.4	20.0 – 25.0	113,480
Education			
Less than H.S.	13.6	11.9 – 15.5	135,793
H.S. or G.E.D.	10.3	9.3 – 11.5	211,378
Some post-H.S.	9.2	8.1 – 10.4	163,071
College Graduate	6.3	5.5 – 7.2	130,074
Household Income			
Less than \$15,000	16.7	14.4 – 19.2	107,461
\$15,000-24,999	11.5	10.0 – 13.2	121,482
\$25,000-34,999	10.5	8.8 – 12.5	72,938
\$35,000-49,000	9.5	8.0 – 11.2	84,568
\$50,000-74,999	6.3	5.3 – 7.5	65,038
\$75,000+	5.4	4.5 – 6.5	90,017
Disability Status			
Yes	17.6	16.3 – 18.9	371,554
No	5.6	5.1 – 6.2	255,421

*C.I. denotes Confidence Interval

Source: BRFSS 2008, North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics, DHHS





Disparities

- In 2008, African Americans had the highest diabetes prevalence rate at 15.6%, followed by the Native Americans at 12.4% in the state.
- Diabetes is a disease of old age. More than one in every five North Carolina residents, aged 65 and over, had diagnosed diabetes in 2008.
- Adults with less than high school education had higher diabetes prevalence than college graduates (13.6% vs. 6.3%).
- North Carolina adults with household incomes less than \$15,000 had the highest rate of diabetes compared to people with \$75,000 or higher (16.7% vs. 5.4%).
- **Smoking:** Smoking has devastating effects on people with diabetes. Smoking raises blood glucose (sugar) and reduces body's ability to use insulin, thus resulting in poor diabetes control. Smokers with diabetes are eleven times more likely to have a heart attack or stroke than people without diabetes and do not smoke. 15.9% of all adults with diabetes smoked in North Carolina in 2008.
- From July 2008 to June 2009, among people who called North Carolina Tobacco Use Quit Line, 9.8 percent reported diabetes.⁴

Risk Factors

- **Obesity:** Obesity is a major contributor to type 2 diabetes. North Carolina ranked 8th worst for adult obesity in 2008 at 29.5%.¹ More than half (51.8%) of adults with diabetes were obese in the state in 2008.
- **Physical activity:** Physical activity helps control not only blood sugar but also weight and blood pressure, and it may improve cholesterol levels. Physical activity also reduces the risk of common diabetes complications, such as heart disease and nerve damage. Only 31 percent of North Carolina adults with diabetes reported 30+ minutes of moderate physical activity 5 days or more per week or vigorous physical activity for 20+ minutes 3 days or more per week in 2008.
- **Healthy diet:** People with diabetes have to follow a healthy diet that includes fruits and vegetables, whole grains, lean protein, low-fat dairy products and moderate amounts of healthier fats. In 2008, about 80 percent of adults with diabetes did not consume five or more servings of fruits and vegetables in North Carolina.
- **Heart Disease and stroke:** In North Carolina, a previous history of heart attack, angina, coronary heart disease, or stroke occurred in 25.1% of adults with diabetes versus 8.5% of adults without diabetes in 2008.
- **High Blood Pressure and Cholesterol:** Among adults with diabetes, 68.8% had high blood pressure, and 65.6% had high blood cholesterol in 2007 in the state.
- **Kidney Disease:** 7.6% of North Carolina residents with diabetes had kidney disease in 2008 compared to 2.3% of general adult population.
- **Visual Impairment and Diabetic Retinopathy:** In North Carolina, more than 44 percent of adults (age 40+) with diabetes reported some visual impairment in 2006.⁵ Recent research shows that diabetic retinopathy may be on the rise and one-third of all people with diabetes may have retinopathy.⁶ More than 17 percent of NC adults with diabetes reported that diabetes affected their eyes or experienced diabetic retinopathy in 2008.

Complications



- **Neuropathy:** Neuropathy (inflammation and degeneration of peripheral nerves) is a common complication affecting 60 to 70 percent of patients with diabetes.
- **Amputations:** The NC Hospital Discharge data ⁷ shows that 2,608 lower limb amputations occurred among people with diabetes in 2007.
- **Oral Health:** In 2008, 17.5 percent of adults with diabetes reported that all of their permanent teeth have been removed because of tooth decay or gum disease, compared to 6.1 percent of NC residents without diabetes.
- **Gestational Diabetes:** NC Pregnancy Risk assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS) survey showed that 9.4 percent of all pregnant women in the state reported high blood sugar (diabetes) during the pregnancy in 2007.⁸ Although gestational diabetes goes away after pregnancy in majority of cases, type 2 diabetes develops in 20 percent to 50 percent of women in the next five to 10 years.

Hospitalizations

- In 2007, diabetes was the primary diagnosis in 16,946 hospital discharges ¹ with more than \$279 million in total charges in North Carolina. The number of hospital discharges due to diabetes either as a primary or secondary diagnosis was 37,596, and accounts for 3.8% of all hospitalizations (due to any cause) in the state.
- Diabetes was mentioned as a contributing condition in almost one out of every five hospitalizations in 2007.⁹

Costs

- The American Diabetes Association (ADA) estimated that the cost of diabetes for people in North Carolina in 2006 was \$5.3 billion. This estimate includes excess medical costs of \$3.6 billion attributed to diabetes, and lost productivity valued at \$1.7 billion.

Mortality

- Diabetes ranked as the 7th leading cause of death in North Carolina for 2007, accounting for 2,150 deaths (2.8% of all deaths) (primary diagnosis). ¹⁰ This represents a 10 percent increase in the number of deaths since 1998. Diabetes contributed for another 6,226 deaths in NC in 2007.

Table 2.
Number of deaths and age-adjusted death rates (diabetes deaths per 100,000 population) with diabetes listed as the primary cause of death by race and sex, North Carolina, 2007

	Total		White		African American	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
Total	2,150	23.4	1,357	18.2	741	47.8
Male	1,059	26.9	713	22.4	330	51.4
Female	1,091	20.3	644	14.8	411	44.1

¹ Provisional Hospital discharge data 2007 and subject to change.



- North Carolinians who died due to diabetes lost an average of 8.5 years of life due to early death, and a total of 18,251 years of life in 2007.⁹
- The age-adjusted diabetes death rate among African Americans (47.8 per 100,000 population) was 2.6 times more compared to whites (18.2 per 100,000).

Diabetes Management

- North Carolina has met the Healthy People 2010 goal for HbA1c test, annual medical foot exams and annual flu vaccine among North Carolinians with diabetes.

Table 3. Diabetes Management indicators for North Carolina adults with diabetes

Management Objective	2003	2005	2008	HP 2010 Goals
2 HbA1c Tests Annually	74%	77%	76%	50
Annual Foot Exam	77%	76%	77%	75
Annual Dilated Eye Exam	76%	72%	70%	75
Annual Influenza Vaccine	58%	55%	64%	60
Pneumococcal Vaccine	53%	53%	54%	60

Diabetes prevalence by selected counties and BRFSS regions

County/Region	Rate %	C.I. (95%) %
North Carolina, Total	9.3	8.8- 9.9
County		
Alamance	8.7	6.2-12.0
Buncombe	6.1	4.1- 8.9
Cabarrus	7.4	5.1-10.6
Catawba	7.8	5.6-10.7
Cumberland	11.8	9.0-15.4
Davidson	7.7	5.4-10.7
Durham	6.9	4.7- 9.9
Forsyth	7.3	5.2-10.2
Gaston	7.9	5.5-11.3
Guilford	8.4	5.7-12.3
Iredell	7.8	5.6-10.8

County/Region	Rate %	C.I. (95%) %
Johnston	8.9	6.2-12.7
Mecklenburg	8.4	6.3-11.2
New Hanover	13.4	8.5-20.5
Onslow	7.4	5.3-10.3
Orange	5.3	3.4- 8.0
Pitt	8.3	5.8-11.6
Randolph	10.3	7.5-13.8
Robeson	12.6	9.2-17.0
Rowan	13.3	8.9-19.3
Union	6.4	4.3- 9.3
Wake	9.4	7.1-12.4
Wayne	8.2	5.9-11.1



Diabetes prevalence by selected counties and BRFSS regions (continued)

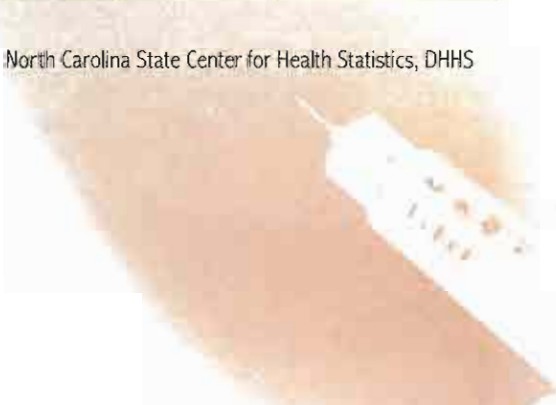
For more diabetes data, please see
The Burden of Diabetes in North Carolina at:
www.ncdiabetes.org/_pdf/Diabetes_Burden_Bk.pdf

NC Regions	Rate %	C.I. (95%) %
Eastern NC	10.2	9.3-11.2
Piedmont	8.9	8.1- 9.7
Western NC	9.6	8.4-10.9
Area Health Education Centers (AHEC)	Rate %	C.I. (95%) %
Mountain AHEC	8.7	7.5-10.2
Northwest	9.4	8.3-10.7
Charlotte	9.2	7.8-10.9
Greensboro	8.4	6.9-10.2
Southern Regional	10.3	8.7-12.3
Coastal	11.8	9.0-15.3
Wake	8.9	7.4-10.7
Area L	11.8	9.1-15.2
Eastern	8.9	7.7-10.4

Source:
 BRFSS 2008, North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics, DHHS

Data sources:

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HISTORIAN COMMITTEE REPORT
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH

The publication of the History of North Carolina Lions Clubs , which was started during the leadership of Lion Diane Whitley, State Secretary of NCLF secretary is still in the publication phase. The committee serving this year has offered assistance with this endeavor. Hopefully, this publication will be completed in the near future.

Three of the members of the Historian Committee members were in attendance for the Fall Camp Dogwood clean-up, October 26th – October 28th. Those in attendance were Marlene Wooten – District D, Laraine Dupree, District E, and Diane Westerbeek, District F.

Diane Whitley, chairman of the Historian Committee for the past three years, met with us and we toured the Stickley Building and reviewed the area containing historical items. We assessed the most pressing needs as follows:

- Dusting and cleaning of the glass cabinet displays
- Completion of the display of all the sitting Governors, First Vice District Governors, and 2nd Vice District Governors

I will be at Camp Dogwood on Saturday, February 13th and will check to see if all the pictures of these persons are on display.

Lion Marlene Wooten Chairman
Historian Committee

Ron Kelly

ATTACHMENT L

From: Paul Bledsoe [bledsoe3@earthlink.net]
Sent: Friday, February 05, 2010 10:58 AM
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Cc: Gary Green; Mike; Sid Scruggs; Lacy Presnell
Subject: PR Report for Council - NC Lions Media Campaign
Council Chair, District Governors, Vice District Governors;

Due to this inclement weather this weekend, I will probably not make it Asheville. This email will serve as my report and a update on our campaign.

We are currently running a TV campaign throughout NC. The schedule will last for several weeks, primary dollars for 4 weeks. No charge commercials will run though late March and early April.

Media purchased: Time Warner Cable, SuddenLink and WLOS TV Asheville. SuddenLink did not match, however provided very inexpensive spots for the NE area of NC. All Governors received a copy of media networks placed in their area service. *(FYI- I will send you a look at the times some of the spots will be running.)*

Chair provided: PowerPoint for the council, news release and of course the media planning and TV production. News release was distributed throughout major media outlets across the state. TV production charges were included in the scheduling of district's dollars. Money for post-production was equally distributed from district's budgets. Bledsoe charged no fees for procurement, creative, research or placement of schedules statewide.

I'm pleased this council made the effort to inform citizens of NC of the many things we do in our communities. Awareness is the key to growth and developing an image of Lions Clubs International. This story should never end and all of us should continue to promote personally and visually our service work. In the future with consistent messages, Lions will be in the forefront of media minds and that is a goal collectively we have to reach. Building media partnerships and corporate partnerships is a cornerstone of growth.

Do remarkable things!

Paul Bledsoe, PDG 31-D, State Council Chair Public Information/Tech.

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Celebrating Over 24 Years in the Triad

2/7/2010

Ron Kelly

From: caubleselectrical@windstream.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 03, 2010 10:05 PM
To: LionsState Sec.
Cc: Paulette; District A; District B; District D; District E; District F; District G; District H; District J
Subject: State Leo Report

Ron,
I'm not sure if we will be at the council meeting on Saturday. I will go ahead and send my report.

Council Chair Paulette, District Governors, and Lions, I have received a few reports from District Leo Chairs from Districts E, F, and G, reporting their Leos are active and doing numerous fundraisers and attending Lions functions. The State Leo Convention at Camp Dogwood on February 26 thru 28 is looking very promising with approximately 42 Leos, 10 Lions and 2 advisors registered at this time. I have received word from another Leo Club that there may be others attending. We are looking forward to programs on Youth Exchange, and blind awareness. Also we will be playing Lions Bingo while getting an education on Lions activities. The Leos are doing a canned food drive and donating puzzles to Camp Dogwood for campers. If you would like to come up and spend the day with the Leos, we would enjoy having you. Thank you for your support,
Lion Terry J. Cauble
State Leo Chair

Celebrate Liberty Report
Third Council of Governors Meeting
February 6, 2010

Planning for events to celebrate our liberties is taking place across the state. March is the primary month for events to be held with the focus on March 16, James Madison's birthday. For example, District A will conduct a program at the VA Hospital in Asheville for the resident veterans on March 16.

Celebrate Liberty pins are being distributed, with 50 pins allocated to each district. The cost for each district is \$88.50. Pins are being sold at \$2.25 each. There have been requests for more pins by some districts. A re-order may occur if there is enough demand.

A final report summarizing what each District accomplished will be presented at the May meeting.

Lions Alert
NC Council of Governors
February 6, 2010

The Lions Alert Program continues to grow with programs being presented at clubs and district fall and mid-winter conventions.

We will continue to work on developing the NC Lions Alert Program. It is taking a lot of time to get the word out and to develop a list of Lions willing to take part in this program.

Lion Dale Dupree, PDG
State chair

LCIF Coordinator Report
Council of Governors MD 31
February 6, 2010 Asheville, NC
PCC Harvey Whitley
MD 31 LCIF Coordinator

As I have read the updates of what our Lions are doing in Haiti, it makes me proud to be a Lion. As I write this report, Lions Hope for Haiti has mobilized more than \$1.8 million to date. This is not just money being sent to LCIF and a check written, but it is local Lions as well as Lions from other countries on the ground helping where they can.

LCIF has produced a video that can be seen on the www.lionsclubs.org website. Our current LCIF Chairperson, IPP Al Brandel, is seen on the video speaking to Lions volunteers in their Lions vests and caps. Forty of these Lions were from the Dominican Republic. He told them "When they see the Lions logo, they are going to see food, water and medicine coming." On this same video, PID Carlos Justiniano from Puerto Rico is also seen lending a hand and giving encouragement.

Supplies of food, water, and medicine have been delivered. LCIF is partnering with the Lions of Sweden to provide 200 large tents for housing the homeless and relief workers.

Immediate needs are being served as best they can. However, this will be an ongoing need for years to come.

Many of our individual Lions, districts and clubs have already made monetary contributions. I am aware of District 31E collecting almost \$1,700 from clubs and individuals during their recent Mid-Winter Convention. I know the district also contributed an additional \$1,000. In District 31G, the Golden Corral in Garner, managed by Lion Allan Michael, will host a fundraiser for Haiti on February 15. I am sure there are many other special donations that have been made.

Donations are easy to make:

- Donate online at www.lcif.org/donate. Select disaster relief and include "LCIF Haiti Earthquake Relief" in the comments section.
- Make a credit card donation by faxing your information to LCIF.
- Mail a check payable to LCIF and designate "LCIF Haiti Earthquake Relief" in the memo section.

There are several other ways to make a donation but if you need assistance contact LCIF at donorassistance@lcif.org or call 630-203-3836.

I have had information about how to make a donation put out on our e-mail network through Bennie Pugh. I would encourage each of you to publish this information in your newsletters and on any e-mail network you may have. If your district has not considered a donation, I would encourage you to present the idea to your membership. Haiti will need our help for a long time.

As a matter of further information and clarity, Board policy states that designated funds are not eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowship credit. This has been waived in the past for other disaster relief efforts, but has not been waived at this time.

Nominating Committee Report
02/06/1010
Carlton Metts, Nominating Chairperson

The following is my report per District on Elections for 2010-2011

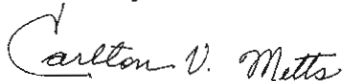
- District A. Lion George Suggs, District Governor Elect
Lion Randy Champion, 1st Vice District Governor Elect
Lion Rose Edgar, 2nd Vice District Governor Elect
- District B. Lion Bob Sprinkle, District Governor Elect
Lion Helen Hudson, 1nd Vice District Governor Elect
Lion Michael Reid, 2nd Vice District Governor Elect
- District D. Lion Bill Womack, District Governor Elect
Mike Hopkins, 1st Vice District Governor Elect
2nd Vice District Governor Elect
- District E. Lion Gary Steele, District Governor Elect
Lion Mike Schartz, 1st Vice District Governor Elect
Lion Tim Williams, 2nd Vice District Governor Elect
- District F. Lion Jerry Thomas, District Governor Elect
Lion Denning Buchter, 1st Vice District Governor Elect
Lion Thomas R. Kirby, 2nd Vice District Governor Elect
- District G. Lion John Owens, District Governor Elect
Lion Andy Lilliston, 1st Vice District Governor Elect
2nd Vice District Governor Elect Peggy McGohan Elect
- District H. Lion Tony Camaioni, District Governor Elect
Lion Rick Sutton 1st Vice District Governor Elect
Lion Skippy Jackson 2nd Vice District Governor Elect
- District J. Lion Gwen White, District Governor Elect
Lion Gloria Bowser, 1st Vice District Governor Elect
2nd Vice District Governor, Vacant

Council Chairperson—Five Resumes....PDG Jim Walker, PDG Wayne McGohan, PDG Ron Staley,
PDG Sydney Eudy, PDG Thomas Brooks

State Secretary, Lion Ron Kelly

NCLF President Herb Justice, North Raleigh Lions Club
NCLF 1st Vice President Lion Stewart Wooten, Asheboro Lions Club
NCLF 2nd Vice President Lion Steve Wilson, Oxford Lion Club
NCLF Treasurer Lion Carolyn Sprinkle, Sparta Lions Club

Submitted by



PDG Carlton Metts, Nominating Chairperson

Council of Governors
 Crowne Plaza
 Asheville, N.C.
 February 6, 2010

Women's Leadership Committee
 Diane Whitley, Chairperson

	Females	Males	Total	Percent
A	358	813	1171	30
B	247	589	836	30
D	189	858	1047	18
E	354	997	1351	26
F	325	913	1238	26
G	206	948	1154	18
H	285	675	960	30
J	177	628	805	22
	2141	6421	8562	25

Our number of female lions in our districts remains about the same, ranging from 18 to 30 percent. Our goal now should be to increase our membership, striving for a balance of male and female members.

The percentage of women in our leadership positions will remain about the same for the next two years and I'm sure that this trend will continue as we move forward.

Again, however, I hope we will stress membership of Lions regardless of gender. As Past Council Chairperson Martha Butler said years ago, those we help don't care if the helping hands are male or female.

Thank you for all you do as a Lion.