

Lions Clubs International  
MD31- North Carolina Lions  
2007-2008 Council of Governors

August 11, 2007

Official Minutes of NC Council of Governors meeting held on August 11 2007 at the Holiday Inn Select, Hickory, NC.

Presiding Council Chairman, G. Steve Wilson, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM He announced that PDG Don Byerly was in the Rowan Memorial Hospital in Salisbury and should be remembered in our prayers.

Council Chaplain Wayne McGohan gave the invocation. Tommy Brooks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The 2007-2008 Council:	DG Paulette Gasperson	D31-A
	DG James F. Foster	D31-F
	DG John T. James	D31-C
	DG B. B. Oliver	D31-D
	DG Sydney Eudy	D31-E
	DG Tommy M. Brooks	D31-F
	DG Wayne M. McGohan	D31-G
	DG George E. Fisher	D31-H
	DG H. M. (Bud) Miller	D31-J
	PDG G. Steve Wilson, Council Chairperson	
	PDG George D. Ohm, Secretary / Treas.	

The Council met in caucus on Friday evening, August 10, 2007 at 7:00 PM. All District Governors were present at the caucus and the Council Meeting on Saturday morning. Six Vice-District Governors attended the caucus and Council meeting.

CC Wilson welcomed all to the first Council Meeting of the 2007-2008 Lionistic year. He recognized Past International Directors for comments. PID Howard Stallings gave a stirring speech to the Governors last evening at the Caucus and felt he didn't need to repeat himself. However he did ask that the Governors give him a copy of their directories and to copy him with their newsletters through the US Mail, since he wasn't on line.

PID Lacy Presnell reiterated what he expressed at the caucus that he looked forward to working with each and any of the Governors and was especially looking forward to working on PID Sid Scruggs campaign for 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International. He did announce the District 31-G PDG Golf Tournament October 1<sup>st</sup>, honoring PID Howard Stallings, with the proceeds going to the VIP Fishing Tournament. He asked for at least one team from each district to make it a state wide tournament. In addition, on November 1<sup>st</sup> the Raleigh Host Lions Club will celebrate their 85<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary with Past International President, Jimmy Ross, as the keynote speaker.

PID Sid Scruggs thanked the Governors and the Lions of North Carolina for their support during the campaign. He went on to express his thanks to those who served as mentors and friends from his journey starting with running as Vice District Governor to today. He included Lions like PID Grady Pulliam, PID Wallace West, Past President Bill Woolard as well as PIDs Stallings and Presnell as friends, mentors and confidants. He is thankful that through his service with International, that North Carolina is now recognized as a strong Lionistic state, especially with our service to the VIPs through Camp Dogwood

and the VIP Fishing Tournament. He went on to thank Gwen White for her kind editorials in the State Newspaper, and Mike Schwartz for serving as his Webmaster and photographer. In addition, he recognized Ken Bucher and Penny Rummel for their untiring efforts as photographers at the numerous events across the state.

He asked that anyone planning to go to Bangkok to please attend the Promotions Meeting at 1:00 PM. He does have a campaign budget to present.

Secretary Ohm read the names of several Lions Clubs that had disbanded since the May 2007 meeting. He also mentioned the Senior Lions Leadership Institute which will be held November 15-19, 2007 at LCI Headquarters in Oak Brook, IL. Ohm also announced that through the Youth Exchange Program we had seven outbound students, and of those, two received Joe Wade Scholarships of \$500 each. Recipients were Miss Bryttani Cauble of Mocksville, NC going to Finland and Miss Charlie Jenkins of Matthews, NC going to Germany.

Governor Oliver was appointed Parliamentarian.

CC Wilson read the slate of Council Officers elected at the International Convention:

Council Chairperson	PDG Steve Wilson
Vice Council Chairperson	DG Paulette Gasperson
Chaplain	DG Wayne McGohan
Tail Twister	DG George Fisher
Parliamentarian	DG B. B. Oliver
Pledge	DG Tommy Brooks
Secretary/Treasurer	PDG George Ohm

Governor Foster moved to approve the Council Officers; seconded by James. Motion passed.

Governor Fisher moved to approve the minutes of the May 2007 Council Meeting as sent by e-mail to all Governors and listed on the web site.; seconded by Gasperson. Motion Carried.

Ohm presented The Year-end Financial Report for 2006-07. He commented that we earned over \$1000 in interest over last year's budget due to placing excess funds in a Money Market account. Income was down due to lack of budgeted income from the State Convention, resulting in an overage in spending by \$2270.40. Year-end Balance of cash and Money Market funds amounted to \$54,964.02 which will be the balance forward for 2007-08. (See attachment "A")

Ohm continued with the 2007-2008 Budget Proposal. He highlighted the reduced dues due to lower membership. With the already approved Grant from Lions Clubs International of \$75,000 for the Udovich Dormitory, budgeted income is \$122,693.50. Due to the transfer of VDG Uniform sand DG &VDG Jacket Crests from the Promotions Account to the Council Account, Ohm had to reduce expenditures in several other line items to stay within the expected income for the year. Proposed expenses amounted to \$122,520.50 leaving balance of \$173.00 at year end. (See attachment (B))

Governor James moved to approve the 2007-08 Budget as presented; seconded by McGohan. Motion carried.

Ohm then presented the current financial statement for the Council's information. Since there hasn't been any income to date, we are into a deficit situation where current expenses exceeded income by \$876.65.

Ohm asked for approval of three items relating to the Treasurer's office. First the statewide bond for District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer's of \$417.50 and the Council Secretary-Treasurer's bond for \$103.00, both through RLI Insurance Co. and the depository of Council and Promotions funds at the First Bank, Salisbury Branch.

Governor Eudy moved to approve RLI Surety for the Council Secretary-Treasurer and District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer's Bonds and to continue using First Bank for the depository of Council and Promotions Funds. Motion seconded by Fisher. Motion Approved

CC Wilson presented the Council's Plans for the coming Year:

1. The Council whole heartedly endorses the continuation of efforts of lions to partner with the State Emergency Management office to assist during disasters.
2. The Council endorses the application by each district for Matching Funds of \$1750 each from LCI for Public Relations Advertising.
3. The Council has decided to hold a raffle to raise funds for White Cane and Sight First II, of a Toyota Camry Hybrid or a Silverado truck. As in previous years, they will sell only 900 tickets, 100 per district.
4. The Council also champions membership growth to strengthen our clubs and to better serve our communities.

CC Wilson called on PDG Joe Silvers to give the final report of the 2007 State Convention.

Silvers summarized the activities of the 2007 State Convention held in Asheville, NC June 1-3, 2007. Fun Night was attended by 450 Lions and Guests. Entertainment included Cherokee dancers in traditional native dress and musician Leon Jacobs of Lawrenceville, GA. The Tail Twister's Breakfast and Auction netted \$5,456 for Sight First II. A Silent Auction netted \$2612 for PID Sid Scruggs Campaign. The District Governor's Banquet was also attended by 450 Lions and Guests with an address from our guest speaker. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Al Brandel, (See attachment ("C"))

PDG Larry Gasperson presented the Final Financial statement of the Convention indicating a balance of \$17,633.18. Silvers suggested that the Council disburse the funds as follows:

1. \$3544.00 to LCIF- Sight First II equally credited to the individual districts, coupled with the previous payment of \$5456.00 to allow each District to name a Melvin Jones fellow.
2. \$4000 to the VIP Fishing Tournament
3. \$10,000 to the Executive Officer Campaign. (See attachment "D")

Governor Foster moved to dispense the funds as described; seconded by Brooks. Motion Carried.

Silvers, serving a State Convention Committee Chair, called upon PDG Paul Bledsoe to report on plans for the 2008 State Convention and PDG Herb Justice for the 2009 Convention.

Bledsoe stated that the 2008 Convention will be held in Greensboro at the Airport Marriott Hotel on May 29 through June 1, 2008. The Marriott will have 299 rooms at \$89.00 per night. Parking is free. The Winston-Salem Twin City Host Lions Club will host the Convention. The host committee has been formed and contracts signed with the hotel. A budget was proposed at an estimated \$58,810.00. Bledsoe requested the initial allowance of \$4000 from the Council. (See Attachment "E")

Justice announced the 2009 Convention will be at the North Raleigh Hilton, Raleigh, NC, on April 30 thru June 3, 2009. The Hilton is currently undergoing extensive renovations which will be completed by the end of this year. A contract has been signed for room rates of \$92.00 per night vs. normal rates of \$109 thru \$129.00. The Convention dates will combine the State Convention and the May Council / Foundation meeting to reduce the need for two separate meeting weekends. . (See attachment "F")

Silvers asked if the Governors had any suggestions of a site for the 2010 Convention. He also reported on a meeting of the State Convention Ad Hoc Committee formed by the 2006-07 Council to revise the State Convention Agreement. The Ad Hoc Committee is made up of Chairpersons of the last 5 conventions.

(See attachment “G”)

Governor Gasperson moved to accept the report of the 2007 Convention Committee; seconded by Foster. Motion Passed.

The meeting was recessed for 15 minutes.

Upon resumption to the meeting, CC Wilson read the list of Council Statewide Committee Chairpersons:

Boys & Girls Homes	PDG Brad Logsdon (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)
Constitution & By-Laws	PCC Dave Butler (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)
Diabetes Awareness	Lion Bill Barnwell (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)
Extension	PDG Houston Henderson (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)
Historian	PCC Diane Whitley (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)
Information Technology	Lion Mike Schwartz (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)
Leadership	PDG Robert Shook (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)
Liberty Day	PDG Jim Edmunds (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)
LCIF/Sight First II	PCC Harvey Whitley (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)
Leo Clubs	Lion Terry Cauble (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)
Lions Quest	PDG Stewart Wooten (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)
Nominations	PDG Allen Deaton (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)
Promotions	PDG Morris Van Vleet (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)
Research & Long Rng Plan	PDG John O’Malley (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)
Retention	PDG Frank Brooks (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)
Membership	PDG Gene Everette (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)
Youth Exchange	Lion Karen Littlefield (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)
State Convention	PDG Joe Silvers (1 <sup>st</sup> yr)
Women’s Membership	Lion Janet Daub (2 <sup>nd</sup> yr)

Governor Foster moved to approve the Council Committee Chairpersons for 2007-2008; seconded by Brooks. Motion approved.

CC Wilson asked Vice Chairperson Governor Gasperson to call for reports from the Committee Chairs.

Boys & Girls Homes – Chair Brad Logsdon summarized the activities at the Lions Cottage at B&G Homes, including a nearly new 12 passenger van, a new roof, all new beds and bedding and a commercial refrigerator. He reported an excellent “Lions work day” sprucing up the grounds. Saturday, October 20, the campus will sponsor a Lions Day for tours and time to visit with the boys in the Lions cottage. Logsdon stated that UNC TV “North Carolina Now” had a segment on B&G Homes and stressed how Civic Clubs are a vital part of the operations of B&G Homes.

(See attachment “H”)

Constitution & By-Laws – Chair Dave Butler preceded his report by stating that the Pin Traders have recycled old trading pins for a net gain of \$120,822 for Eye Research. He thanked all of the Lions in North Carolina for their support through donations and purchases.

Butler reported that in the International Constitution, the two year grace period for transitional districts was deleted so now when a district falls below 1250 members or 35 clubs it is automatically an “established district of under 1250 members or 35 clubs”.

The Committee has continued to work on the State Policies & Procedure Manual, creating a cover sheet, and revising the index. CDs were made and distributed to the council and NCLF. At the State Convention, the Lions of NC voted to approve D31-C’s dissolution, and forward the resolution to International.

After being approved at the May Council meeting at the May meeting, Butler recommended adoption of the NC Lions Web Sites Administration Policy and addition it to the Policy and Procedures Manual. (See attachment “I”)

Governor Oliver moved to approve the Web Sites administration Policy; seconded by Miller. Motion passed.

Diabetes Awareness – Bill Barnwell Stated the mission statement for the Diabetes Committee: “To conduct and support local and large scale efforts leading to the control and treatment of Diabetes and it’s complications through education, prevention and research.” He also prepared a reference handbook for each governor and their Diabetes Chairs for their information and use. He reminded all that the medical profession is identifying as many as 4000 new cases of Diabetes each day. (See attachment “J”)

Extensions – PDG Houston Henderson summarized the extensive work of last year with workshops and membership drives resulting in the formation of several Lions Clubs. Riding on the enthusiasm from the successes last year the goals is to form at least two new Lions Clubs this year. Hopefully what has been learned form in new clubs will be used to grow existing clubs. He suggests each district establish a recruiting team to set aside one day a month to recruit new members. (See attachment “K”)

Historian Committee – PCC Diane Whitley stated that the Committee is busy gathering information for the new History book. She asked for photos of District Officers for the Bulleting Boards in the Stickley Building. (See attachment “L”)

Information and Technology – Mike Schwartz stated that the committee will concentrate on educating Clubs and districts on the new Web Site Policy. They are in process of creating a new web-site directory to help the committee insure that districts and clubs are in compliance with the policy. Two new sites have been established: PID Sid Scruggs official site, [www.sidscrugg.com](http://www.sidscrugg.com) and NC Lions VIP Fishing Tournament, [www.ncvipfishing.org](http://www.ncvipfishing.org). (See attachment “M”)

Leadership Development – PDG Bob Shook reported the first training session for Vice District Governors was held this year. He has received copies of the membership growth plans and goals set for membership growth. He encouraged the Governors to stay on course to achieve these goals. (See attachment “N”)

Liberty Day – PDG Jim Edmunds stated the committee is fully organized and will meet today to discuss goals for this year, including selection of a site for 2008 Liberty Day celebration and approval of the state pin honoring the US Air Force. We will need a new printing of booklets. Edmunds outlined a requirement to license the use of “Liberty Day” and showing the registered symbol on our booklets. This item was discussed at the caucus last evening, with the Council deciding to change the name so as not to conflict with “Liberty Day”. Wachovia has offered to print 10,000 booklets at material cost of \$2179.50. (See Attachment “O”)

Governor Foster made a motion to remove the word “Day” from the name of the program and the state pin resulting in the “Liberty” program and to allot funds for printing 10,000 books. Motion seconded by McGohan. Motion Passed

Foster commented that the word Liberty cannot be trademarked, so we should not be infringing on the “Liberty Day” registration. He suggested that Edmunds, himself a retired lawyer, pursue council from Lions Clubs Legal Division before proceeding.

Edmunds commented that he assisted in the chartering of a Hispanic Lions Club in Manteo and required an interpreter to conduct the installation.

LCIF/Sight First II – PCC Harvey Whitley reported on the Sight First II Campaign in North Carolina. With \$382,018 in donations and pledges we are at 34% of the \$1,108,140 statewide goal. There are now seven model clubs, pledging \$400, or more, per member. (See attachment “P”)

Leo Clubs – Lion Terry Cauble announced a meeting for Leo Officers and advisors at Camp Dogwood on Saturday, September 29, 2007, 10 AM to 2 PM, to plan the 2008 State Leo Convention. Cauble said a new Leo State Trading Pin will be issued for 2008. (See attachment “Q”)

Lions Quest – PDG Stuart Wooten described the Lions Quest program of teaching life skills: Growing Skills, grades K-5; Adolescence skills, 6-8; Action skills, 9-12. He distributed a packet of information to each governor to review before passing it on the District Chairperson. (See attachment “R”)

Membership – PDG Gene Everette stated that our new International President issued a challenge to change. For a number of years Lions Clubs have initiated several good programs to spur membership. We must now seek newer and more challenging ideas to stem the tide of membership loss. He outlined the many positive trends in Lionism. We gained 1078 new members across the state. We still have the premier camp for the blind in the US. We support eye research in three major university Hospitals. We must strive to make our clubs vital and interesting to maintain and grow to serve others. (See attachment “S”)

Nominations – PDG Allen Deaton reported that all nine districts have elected Vice District Governors for 2007-08. (See attachment “T”)

Promotions – Morris Van Vleet stated that the 2008 State trading pins “The Submarine, North Carolina” are available today. Each district will be issued 440 pins to sell plus the free pins as described in the Policy and Procedures Manual. He asked that each district pay for the pins when

received. Due to the higher purchase price the Promotions committee voted to set the selling price at \$2.25 each.

In addition Van Vleet asked for permission to send a letter to each District Governor to request a donation of \$150 from each Lions Club to finance the International Officer's Campaign. He initiated the move by delivering a check for \$150 from the Rockwell Lions Club, followed by a \$250 donation by the Oxford Lions Club. (See attachment "U")

Governor McGohan moved to authorize the request for a \$150 donation from all Lions Clubs for the International Officers Campaign. Motion Seconded by Brooks. Motion Passed.

Research and Long Range Planning – PDG John O'Malley requested precise direction from the Council as to what they wanted the Committee to study.

Retention – PDG Frank Brooks thanked the Governors for allowing him to continue to serve as retention chair again this year. He distributed copies of the MERL Teamwork for Growth Booklet for each Governor. He stressed the development of 3 person membership teams at the club level. Each new member must be educated on the ideals of Lionism if we want to retain them in the organization. (See attachment "V")

Women's Leadership – Janet Doub could not attend but sent a report by e-mail. (See attachment "W")

Youth Exchange – Karen Littlefield reported on this year's successful youth Exchange program. There were seven out bound students from North Carolina, two of which received the \$500 Joe Wade Scholarship. Eleven inbound students came from ten countries. She thanked all who helped to make this year a success. (See attachment "X")

Littlefield suggested three action items for the Council to consider:

1. She asked to appoint Lion Vern Sieg of the Greensboro Lions Club as Co-chair while she resides in Florida for another year.
2. She hopes to send 15 students outbound, which may require a reciprocation to accept 15 inbound, which in turn would require a larger budget. There are thoughts of holding a statewide raffle to fund the outbound student transportation.
3. If necessary, we may have to charge an inbound camping fee, similar to other states.

Governor McGohan moved to table the request; seconded by Gasperson. Motion passed.

Logsdon requested \$50 to reproduce the UNC TV video of Boys & Girls Homes for distribution to the Governors. It was determined that this would fall under the budget for Committee Chairs.

Governor Fisher moved to approve all committee reports; seconded by Miller. Motion approved.

### New Business

PID Sid Scruggs announced that President Mahendra Amarasuriya is introducing a Team 20 concept with a goal of increasing membership by 20,000 Lions world wide. Sector coordinators will be reporting to Scruggs every 2 months, beginning in October 2007. NC has two

coordinators: PDG Bob Shook who will aid in membership and training and PDG Willie Hudson who will contact each Governor monthly.

Scruggs went on to urge each Vice District Governor to firm up the district Convention dates for next year so he can request speakers. Once a speaker is affirmed, the District Governor must officially request the speaker to insure funds are allocated for travel.

President Amarasuriya will award one Leadership Medal for each district showing a plus 1 membership on March 31, 2008. Membership of plus 1 on June 30, 2008 will receive a Presidential Medal and the Governor will be eligible to receive this medal. Scruggs asked that each Governor select one individual by the November meeting who would be worthy of a Presidential recognition. This list will then be ranked one through nine and Scruggs will request 3 Presidential and 6 Leadership medals to be presented at the State Convention.

Scruggs announced he will issue a new Sid Scruggs Pin which will be for sale on the web-site; [www.sidscruggs.com](http://www.sidscruggs.com).

Scruggs commented that he has received 11 foreign endorsements and 16 USA endorsements.

CC Wilson read an Endorsement by the District Governors of MD31 for the year 2007-2008, of Sid L. Scruggs for the Office of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of Lions Clubs International.

( See attachment “ “ )

Governor Brooks moved to approve the endorsement of Sid L. Scruggs by the District Governors of MD31 for the Year 2007-2008. Motion seconded by Oliver. Motion unanimously approved

Also during this meeting the Certification of Candidacy for PID Sid L. Scruggs was signed by the 2007-2008 District 31-F Governor and Cabinet Secretary as well as the 2007-2008 Council Chair and Council Secretary, for transmission to Lions Clubs International.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

George D. Ohm  
MD31 Secretary-Treasurer.



**North Carolina Lions State Council  
2006-07 Council Financial Statement  
Year End - June 30, 2007**

**Attachment "A"**

<b>INCOME:</b>	BAL FWD	06-07 57234.42	Budget	6/30/2007 (over) / unde Line Item	
				57234.42	- 100
State Dues (Est. 9400 X \$3.50 for 05-06)		32,312.00	32063.50	248.50	110
Interest Received (Currently 1%)		550.00	1,573.87	(1,023.87)	120
District Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer Bonds		417.50	417.51	(0.01)	130
State Convention Tail Twister's ticket sales and auction		2,500.00	5456.00	(2,956.00)	140
State Convention Income		10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	150
Youth Exchange ( \$500 per District)		4,500.00	5,060.00	(560.00)	160
Liberty Day		1,000.00	904.00	96.00	170
LCIF Grant for Wake Forest Univ. Eye Care Center			75,000.00		180
Misc. Income not Budgeted		-	489.64	(489.64)	190
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>51,279.50</b>	<b>120,964.52</b>	<b>(69,685.02)</b>	
<b>EXPENSES:</b>					
Financial Audit		700.00	0.00	700.00	200
Treasurer's Bond		520.50	520.50	-	210
Clerical Services - NCLF		600.00	600.00	-	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)		350.00	319.56	30.44	230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)		600.00	426.96	173.04	240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)		400.00	356.69	43.31	250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)		150.00	0.00	150.00	260
Awards, Plaques and Gifts		1500.00	769.42	730.58	270
State Council Meetings		400.00	45.79	354.21	280
Expenses - State Secretary / Treasurer		3500.00	2728.92	771.08	290
Expenses - State Council Chair *		5600.00	5599.63	0.37	300
State Convention - cash advance		6000.00	655.44	5,344.56	310
Membership committee		1000.00	427.91	572.09	320
Extension Committee		1000.00	1659.79	(659.79)	330
District Extension Workshops - Council Matching Funds			789.63		335
Retention Committee		1000.00	770.57	229.43	340
Leadership Committee		3400.00	4148.80	(748.80)	350
State Council Committee Expenses		9000.00	7485.78	1,514.22	360
Sight First Committee		1000.00	995.66	4.34	370
Liberty Day		2000.00	1032.00	968.00	380
Leo Clubs Expenses		1000.00	99.88	900.12	390
Youth Exchange		6000.00	5695.85	304.15	400
Information Technology/ Public Relations		1500.00	315.59	1,184.41	410
LCIF Grant for Wake Forest Univ. Eye Care Center			75000.00		420
Peace Poster Bond			250.00		422
NC DMV - Lions Club Licenses Plates			3820.00		426
Misc. Expenses not budgeted		5000.00	8720.55	(3,720.55)	430
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>52,220.50</b>	<b>123,234.92</b>	<b>(71,014.42)</b>	
<b>Income Less Expenses</b>		<b>(941.00)</b>	<b>(2,270.40)</b>	<b>1,329.40</b>	
<b>Balance on Hand</b>			<b>54,964.02</b>		
<b>Assets:</b>			<b>41,215.00</b>		
Money Market Account					

North Carolina Lions State Council  
Proposed 2007-08 Council Budget  
August 9,2007

Attachment "B"

INCOME:	05-06 Actual	06-07 Budget	06-07 Actual	07-08 Budget	Line	Item
BAL FWD	29493.20	55545.92	57234.42	54964.02	100	
State Dues (B936X \$3.50 for 07-08)	32751.25	32312.00	32063.50	31276.00	110	
Interest Received (Currently 1%)	575.90	550.00	1573.87	1600.00	120	
District Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer Bonds	417.51	417.50	417.51	417.50	130	
State Convention Tailtwister's Breakfast Auction & Tickets	0.00	2500.00	5456.00	2500.00	150	
State Convention Income	12412.39	10000.00	0.00	5000.00	155	
Youth Exchange Funds (restricted )	2975.00	4500.00	5060.00	4500.00	160	
Liberty Day Funds (restricted )	862.66	1000.00	904.00	1000.00	165	
LCIF Grant - UNC Diabetic Eye Care	50000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
LCIF Grant - UNC DiabeticEye Care		0.00	75000.00			170
LCIF Grant - Camp Dogwood		0.00	0.00	75000.00		180
Luxury Car Raffle	67605.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
NC License Plate Project	910.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Income Not Budgeted	15580.06	0.00	489.64	1400.00		
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>184089.77</b>	<b>51279.50</b>	<b>120964.52</b>	<b>122693.50</b>	
EXPENSES:						
Financial Audit	0.00	700.00	0.00	1050.00		200
Treasurer's Bond	520.50	520.50	520.50	520.50		210
Clerical Services - NCLF	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00		220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	226.94	350.00	319.56	250.00		230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	498.64	600.00	426.96	450.00		240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	210.19	400.00	356.69	350.00		250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)	48.35	150.00	0.00	50.00		260
Plaques and Gifts	1356.13	1500.00	769.42	1500.00		270
State Council Meetings	571.45	400.00	45.79	200.00		280
Expenses - State Secretary / Treasurer	3488.99	3500.00	2728.92	3000.00		290
Expenses - State Council Chair —	5594.73	5600.00	5599.63	5600.00		300
State Convention - cash advance	6000.00	6000.00	655.44	6000.00		310
Membership committee	0.00	1000.00	427.91	750.00		320
Extension Committee	0.00	1000.00	1659.79	1500.00		330
District Extension Workshops - Council Matching Funds			789.63	1000.00		335
Retention & Orientation Committee	0.00	1000.00	770.57	750.00		340
Leadership Committee	4205.21	3400.00	4148.80	4000.00		350
State Council Committee Expenses	7153.40	9000.00	7485.78	8000.00		370
Sight First II Committee —		1000.00	995.66	1000.00		375
Liberty Day	1876.96	2000.00	1032.00	1500.00		380
Leo Clubs Expenses	21.00	1000.00	99.88	500.00		390
Youth Exchange	5398.93	6000.00	5695.85	6000.00		400
Information Technology/ Public Relations	0.00	1500.00	315.59	500.00		410
MD31 Statewide Advertising	270.00					
LCIF- UNC Diabetic Eye Ctr	50000.00					
LCIF Grant for Wake Forest Eye Care Center			75000.00	0.00		
LCI Camp Dogwood Grant			0.00	75000.00		420
Peace Poster bond			250.00	250.00		425
VDG Clothing Allowance			0.00	1300.00		430
DGE & VDG Jacket Crests (20 @ \$20)			0.00	400.00		435
NC DMV - Lions Club License Plates			3820.00			
Luxury Car Disbursements	67900.00					
Misc Expense	2095.63	5000.00	8720.55	500.00		440
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>158037.05</b>	<b>52220.50</b>	<b>123234.92</b>	<b>122520.50</b>		
Income	<b>Less Expenses</b>	<b>26052.72</b>	<b>-941.00</b>	<b>-2270.40</b>	<b>173.00</b>	
<b>Balance on Hand</b>	<b>55545.92</b>	<b>54604.92</b>	<b>54964.02</b>			

2007 North Carolina Lions State Convention  
June 1-2-3 2007  
Renaissance Hotel  
Asheville, NC

August 11, 2007

Attachment C"

To: Lion Steve Wilson, Council of Governors Chair  
From: Joe Silvers, 2007 Lions State Convention Chair  
Subject: Final Report, 2007 Lions State Convention

Lion Larry and I would like to thank the host clubs of District 31-A: Cherokee, Etowah, Franklin, Sand Hill, Swannanoa Valley, Pisgah Forest, Greater Asheville, and to the many individuals for their help in making this convention a most memorable one. Our goal was to make this convention as affordable as possible, have fun, fellowship, and learn about Lionism. In order to make this a reality. Lions throughout the state sold caps and ads to defray the costs of the convention.

On Thursday evening we entertained the Vice President with dinner. The 2006-2007 Council welcomed the District Governor-elect with memorable gifts. A fun time was had by all.

Friday and Saturday we had tours to the Biltmore House, The Grove Arcade, Harrah's Cherokee Casino, and the Cherokee Indian Reservation. The tours began at 9:30 a. m. We did our very best to make everyone feel welcome, and I think we did that.

The golf tournament began at 10 a.m. Friday at the Broadmoor golf course. I was told that everyone had a great time. The three winners were Patti Walker, Charles Holloman, and David Smoot. Lions George Suggs and Curtis Erickson co-chaired the tournament.

On Friday, Vice President Al Brandel, PID Sid Scruggs and others toured the McCune Center, met with golfers, and toured the Biltmore House.

Friday night Fun Night was well attended with more than 450 Lions & Guests. The Cherokee Indian dancers displayed the traditional native dances that have been part of the Cherokee culture for centuries. The feature entertainer was Leon Jacobs from Lawrenceville, Ga. All had a great time, and the evening came to an end all too soon.

Saturday morning the Tail Twisters Breakfast and auction was held. Asheville Mayor Terry Bellamy welcomed us to the city. Special thanks to the Tail Twisters from all over the state that came to help make this such an entertaining event. They really did an outstanding job. The auction raised \$5,456.00 for Campaign Sight First II. The silent auction for PID Director Sid Scruggs' campaign raised \$2,269.00. The golf cart raffle for the VTP fishing tournament raised \$2,612.00.

The General Sessions went well and had good attendance, as were the seminars. Our hospitality room and vendors were supposed to be in one room, but we had to put some in the hallway, which was okay because you had to go through the hall to get to the hospitality room, keeping all in the same general area. The General Sessions went well and had good attendance, as were the seminars.

Our hospitality room and vendors were supposed to be in one room, but we had to put some in the hallway, which was okay because you had to go through the hall to get to the hospitality room, keeping all in the same general area.

About 450 Lions & Guests attended the Saturday night banquet. We were privileged to hear our Vice President Al Brandel, who gave a wonderful motivational speech. Lion Brandel gave out several awards and certificates to some well-deserving Lions.

The Sunday morning Service of Remembrance was led by Governor Bob Roland and was followed by the cabinet meeting and final general session. The reception for incoming governors was held.

**2007 State Convention Financial Statement  
August 8, 2007**

**Attachment "D"**

<b>Beginning Checkbook balance</b>		<b>0.00</b>
Income	Convention Ads	28125.00
	Misc.	25116.00
	Room Rebate	8000.00
	Tail Twister's Breakfast	6000.00
	NC MTN State Fair	8817.10
	Convention Pin Sales	1500.00
	Convention Meals	11550.00
	Biltmore House Tours	2477.00
	PDG Luncheon	1320.00
	Golf Tournament	1170.00
	Silent Auction	2269.50
	Tail Twister's Auction	<u>5456.00</u>
Total Income		101800.60
Expenses	Bank Charges	121.68
	NC MTN State Fair Booth	610.00
	Renaissance Hotel	3215.22
	C&L Int'l Elk Pin	805.00
	P.O. Box rent	28.00
	Returned Checks	217.50
	Refunds	1527.47
	Biltmore House Tour	2357.50
	Golf	588.00
	Entertainment	1000.00
	Program Expenses	3870.53
	Printing	154.58
	VIP Baskets	35.70
	Office Supplies	60.83
	Outer Banks Tees	1225.00
	Registration Supplies	293.51
	Decorations	762.25
	Service of Remembrance	179.74
	Ren-Rooms/Meals	55417.41
	VIP Golf Cart Raffle	2612.00
	State Council (CSFII)	5456.00
	EOCF (Silent Auction)	2269.50
	Transportation	<u>1360.00</u>
Total Expenses		84167.42
Net Bank Balance		\$17,633.16

Aug. 1, 2007

**To: Council of Governors**

**Attachment "D"**

From: 2006-2007 State Convention Chair

Subject: 2006-2007 State Convention Profits

The 2006-2007 State Convention Committee would like to make the following recommendation(s) to the Council for disbursements of the State Convention profits.

Proposal #1

- \$3544 to the Council for Campaign Sight First II-Add to the amount previously sent to the Council (\$5456), for a total of \$9,000-a Melvin Jones Fellow for each District.
- \$4,000 to the Council for future State Conventions
- \$10,000+ to the Executive Officer Campaign Fund (EOCF)-Sid's Campaign

Proposal #2

- \$3544 to the Council for Campaign Sight First II- Add to the amount previously sent to the Council (\$5456), for a total of \$9,000 - a Melvin Jones Fellow for each District
- \$4,000 to the VIP Fishing Tournament
- \$ 10.000+ to the Executive Officer Campaign Fund ( EOCF)- Sid's Campaign

The 2006-2007 State Convention Committee

Lion Joe Silvers- PDG Chair

# NORTH CAROLINA 2008 LIONS STATE CONVENTION REPORT/ District 31-D Report

8/11/07 by Paul Bledsoe, State Convention Chair 2008

Attachment "E"

All contracts have been signed with the 2008 NC Lions State Convention to be held at the Greensboro High Point Airport Marriott.

- 1) Dates 5/29-6/1 2008
  - Total Rms: 299 - 400 Free Parking Spaces
  - Rm Rate: \$89 per night
  - No Charge meeting spaces or events
  - Meals all charges inclusive:
    - Thursday: \$24
    - Friday Night: \$22
    - Sat Breakfast: \$19.50
    - Sat Lunch: \$22
    - Sat Banquet: \$27
- 2) The Winston-Salem Twin City Host Lions Club approved the recommendation for hosting the convention under the leadership of Bledsoe. At the District 31-D Cabinet Meeting, the district membership approved with excitement, support to the convention chair to the success of the state convention in District 31-D in 2008.
- 3) Organizational parameters have been set....
  - A) Dr. Steve Yokeley, Dobson Lions Club will serve as Sec/Treasurer for the event.
  - B) PDG John Wall, Walkertown Lions Club will serve as Registration Committee Chair
  - C) PDG Marvin Doub and Janet Doub, Konnoak Hills Lions Club will work as Protocol Co-Chairs
  - D) PDG Doc Shaver, Konnoak Hills Lions Club will serve as Tail twister Breakfast and Silent Auction Chair
  - E) Lion Bill Stewart and the Greensboro Gate City Lions Club will oversee the Hospitality Suite during the convention.
  - F) PDG Johnny Stuart of McCleansville Lions Club and other PDG's have offered their assistance for the success
- 4) Several unnamed companies have acknowledged support of sponsorship of various venues.
- 5) Proposed budget will be submitted.

Signed respectfully,

Paul Bledsoe, NC Lions State Convention Chair 2008

Paul R. Bledsoe  
District Governor 31 -D 2005-2006

4828 Selwyn Drive  
Winston-Salem, NC 27104



Ph: 336-774-8580

**2008 North Carolina Lions State Convention  
Greensboro, High Point Airport Marriott  
May 29 - June 1,2008**

**2008 NC Lions State Convention Proposed Budget  
8/11/07**

**Estimate Attendance Meal Costs... (Inclusive of tax and gratuities)**

Thurs Night- 42 @ \$24.00	\$ 1,008.00
Friday Fun- 400 @ \$22.00	\$ 8,800.00
Tailtwisters B- 300 @ \$19.50	\$ 5,850.00
PDG Luncheon-100 @ \$22	\$ 2,200.00
DG Banquet- 500 @ \$27	\$13,500.00
<b>Total Estimate Meals:</b>	<b>\$31,358.00</b>

**Estimated Expenses**

Convention Program/Printing:	\$6,500.00
Registration/Office Materials	\$2,500.00
Committee Expenses:	\$2,000.00
Entertainment:	\$2,500.00
VIP Rooms: (20)	\$5,700.00
Thursday Night Meals: (52)	\$1,272.00
Hosp ./Flowers/Gifts	\$2,500.00
Contingency	\$2,500.00
Golf Tournament	\$ 750.00
Audio/Visual:	\$ 750.00
Signage:	\$ 500.00
<b>Total Estimated Expenses:</b>	<b>\$27,472.00</b>

**Proposed Budget: \$58,810.00**

Room August 10, 2007

**Attachment "F"**

2009 State Convention Report to Council of Governors at Hickory, NC

The 2009 State Convention will be held on the dates of April 30 - May 3, 2009 at the North Raleigh Hilton, which is in the final stages of a 7.5 million dollar renovation. This convention will be a little different than what we have had for the past few years as it will be a combined State Convention and The Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Lions Foundation. A contract has been executed with the North Raleigh Hilton with a room rate of \$92.00 plus tax, which currently is 12.75%. The normal weekend room rates at the North Raleigh Hilton are: King Bed = \$129.00 plus tax and Double = \$109.00 plus tax. Thursday s and Fridays are even higher. Before settling on this date, it was discussed with the Vice District Governors and the Foundation.

The following Vice Chairs will compose the Convention Committee:

PDG Jim Irvin          PDG Ivy Iverson          PDG Gene English  
PDG Frank Brooks      Lion Penny Pummels      Lion Jean Gardner  
Lion Glenn Day -Secretary/Treasurer

A budget is currently being formulated, but has not been finalized. It should, however, be finalized within the next month. Working with the committee will be the host clubs of North Raleigh, Garner, Cary and Raleigh Southeast

The dates of April 30 through May 3 were chosen because the only other dates available in Raleigh were Easter, Mothers Day and Fathers Day weekends. In fact the North Raleigh Hilton gave die Lions preference over another group mat tentatively reserved these dates. The State Convention is being combined with the Annual Meeting of the Norm Carolina Lions Foundation because it is mandated that the Annual Meeting of the / Foundation be held on the first Sunday in May. By combining these two meetings, the Lions of North Carolina will also have one less weekend in May that is tied up with Lions Business. It will also provide a cost savings to our Lions.

We realize that there will be some challenges that may arise, but we feel that they can be addressed to everyone's satisfaction. We look forward to working with the Council and the Foundation to make this Convention a rousing success.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lion PDG Herbert A. Justice



## Attachment "G"

Date: August 11, 2007

To: 2006-2007 NC Council of Governor's

From: 2006-2007 State Convention Chair

Subject: 2006-2007 State Convention Chairman's Report

At the last Council of Governor's meeting, an ad hoc committee of the past five Host Convention Chairs or Co-chairs was appointed with the State Convention Chair serving as chairman. We were asked to review the policy and procedures manual as it relates to state conventions and the state convention agreement between the council and the host committee and make recommendations to the council.

We had our first meeting this afternoon and have gotten about a quarter of the way through. We still are working with the agreement that was revised and approved May 1, 1999. Of the nine committee members attending we found there were at least three different versions of the same document floating around. We appreciate the opportunity to be part of consolidating information while drawing on years of experience of running state conventions as we prepare a document to present for consideration.

We are asking to make the proposal directly to you rather than going through the Policy and Procedures Committee. There will be issues that only this council can answer and you will need to give direction to the committee. It would be more time consuming and cumbersome to go through two committees before it goes to you who will make the final decision. Based on your preferences we may need to go back and tweak the document before you are satisfied. There will probably be a need for some by-law changes after you determine the policies and procedures. We would like to make recommendations to the Constitution and By-laws committee when that time comes.

Some of the issues we are addressing and would welcome your individual thoughts are:

Discuss Policy and Procedures as it is currently written and make suggestions and to the Council of Governors

Define the role of the State Council as the hosts of the convention.

Define the role of the State Convention Chairman

Define the role of the Host Convention Chairman

Define the role of the State Convention Committee

Define the role of the Host Convention Committee

Define for whom the Convention will pay expenses

Update wording to include the Council Chairman

Vendor booth cost

This past year has been a great year for the boys in the Lions Cottage on the Lake Waccamaw campus. With generosity of the Lions from the mountains to the sea, especially the donations from the Lake Lure and Southern Pines; we have been able to purchase a 12 passenger "Lions Van" and all new beds and bedding for our boys. In addition, a new roof, new commercial refrigerator, new grill, paint and fresh landscaping gives our cottage a fresh look.

Since the beginning Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina has been a unique organization. As a private, non-profit, Christian child-caring agency it has taken referrals from both the private and government sector (county department of social service and mental health agencies). Although there are some government funds available because of these respective referrals, by far the largest percentage of the cost of care must come from the private sector. And that is where the civic clubs of North Carolina play such an important and vital role. Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina is one of the few, if not the only, charitable organization in the country that combines so many diverse civic organizations into a long-term financial commitment to a single project.

The Civitan, Lions, Jaycees, Kiwanis, Rotary, Optimist have all taken a part in building a cottage to house the boys and girls. From the very beginning the Lions of North Carolina have taken a leading role in the growth of Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina. In 1959 at the state convention in Ashville, the Lions of Multiple District 31 adopted "Boys Home of North Carolina" as a statewide project and began raising funds for the Lions Cottage on the Lake Waccamaw Campus. That cottage for sixteen boys was completed in 1960 and a cottage in Huntersville was built in 1972. Through the years, the Lions have been the largest civic organization in the state and consequently, have contributed the largest total amount of money to Boys and Girls Homes for support of the children. The Lions have more individual endowments than any other group; these are used to honor extraordinary achievements by their membership.

As is true today with most charities, donations are lower than expected and Boys and Girls Homes in no exception. With more work to be done in our cottage we all need to pitch-in and help. After over fifty years of use the bathrooms need a major renovation at a cost of about \$30,000; our kitchen is also showing its age and also needs a helping hand, the same holds true with the teaching parents apartment.

Plan to make a trip to visit our cottage on Saturday, October 20th for "Lions Day", starting at noon with lunch, than a campus tour and ample time to visit our cottage. The highlight of the day will time spent to meet our boys.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

W. Brad Logsdon, PCC

August 11, 2007

MD-31 Constitution and By-Laws Report (August 2007)

**Attachment "I"**

By: Lion Dave Butler, PCC

Council Chairperson Steve, State Council Members, fellow Lions and guests. Since my report at the May State Council meeting, it has been a busy time. After the approval of the MD-31 Lion's Policy and Procedures Manual at the May meeting, a cover sheet was created, the index was revised to include the other four State Policies that already existed, they were included in the manual, all policies were revised to show approval date, CDs were produced of the completed manual, and copies were given to members of the 2006-2007 State Council, 2007-2008 State Council, State Secretary/Treasurer, NCLF Executive Director, NCLF Web Site Master Bennie Pugh, State Web Site Master Mike Schwartz, and the Long-Range Planning Committee Chairperson-John O'Malley.

At the North Carolina Lions State Convention, the resolution for dissolving District 31-C, and revising our MD-31 Constitution, if approved by Lions Clubs International, passed by a vote of 187 for and 0 against. This resolution and all the attachments required are in the hands of Lions International for their action at their fall Board of Directors meeting. As I stated at the last State Council meeting, the "Constitution and By-Laws Committee" will do a more in-depth study of the MD-31 Constitution and By-Laws and present proposals in the 2007-2008 Lion's fiscal year. I have scheduled a meeting of the members of this committee for 3:00 pm today to begin this process. We will be bringing our MD-31 Constitution and By-Laws into compliance with Lions Clubs International requirement as far as gender is concerned, also.

The "North Carolina Lion's Web Sites Administration Policy" that was covered, revised and approved by the State Council at the May meeting, needs to have final approval by the State Council at this Council meeting, before it can be inserted into the "MD-31 Lion's Policy and Procedures Manual".

Thank You

David Butler, PCC  
Chairman

NC Lion Council of Governors  
Council Meeting

Attachment "J"

August 11, 2007

Diabetes Awareness Committee Report

Our Diabetes Awareness Mission statement is:

"To conduct and support local and large scale efforts leading to the control and treatment of Diabetes and its complications, through education prevention and research"

In pursuant of this, I have put together a handbook of information concerning Diabetes. These materials are for your edification and use. There is also a promotional package for Strides, a new program announced at the International Convention in Boston.

We are reminded that the Medical profession is identifying 4000 new cases of diabetes each day.

William "Bill" Barnwell  
Diabetes Awareness Chairman

NORTH CAROLINA LIONS STATE COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS      **Attachment "K"**  
State Extension Chairperson Report  
Hickory, N C   August 11, 2007

Council Chair Steve, Governors and fellow lions. I appreciate the opportunity to serve the state as Extension Chair again this year.

We had a fairly busy year in 2006-2007. We held 4 Extension Workshops led by Lions Clubs International extension consultants. We worked hard, learned a lot and chartered several clubs and branches across the state. Some of the work and the learning is still showing results. We are completing the paperwork on one club today and will finish another clubs application next week. Overall, it was a good year, a learning year. We really have to want a new club to make one happen. We can't just "talk the talk", we have to "walk the walk". We have to learn, we have to work, "we have to follow up, and follow up, and follow up, and not give up".

I have talked with leaders in several districts and at least two districts plan on a workshop and others are considering one. I hope each of you will encourage your MERL Team to work with you and schedule a workshop before April 2008.

I have the applications and will be happy to work with your district in scheduling and holding a workshop. Remember this year we have a goal of TWO NEW CLUBS per district. Please refer to your "MERL-Teamwork for Growth" booklet which was distributed through the District Governors last year. There was enough for all clubs to have one and for each Zone and Region Chair and other lion leaders in your district to have one.

As part of this teamwork effort, I believe we can use the recruiting skills and techniques learned in the workshops to grow the membership in our existing clubs. Those who learned these skills at the workshops can share the training with clubs at their meetings and schedule recruiting teams to go out in the communities and recruit for the clubs. I will be glad to come to your club to hold a mini-workshop (depending on my schedule and your location) if you will have at least two teams of two go out recruiting with me in your area the next day. Also, Governors, I hope you will encourage each club in your district to form recruiting teams and to set aside one day per month as a recruiting day and ask at least five people to join their club, and FOLLOW UP!!!

This positive attitude and confidence in recruiting will work, both in forming new clubs and in growing the membership in our existing clubs. We have to want new members to get them;

we have to ask men and women to join us in service in a confident, positive and exciting way.

We must grow to survive and we must survive to continue to offer our needed services to the needy of the communities across the state.

Let's join together as a team and make it happen- "walk the walk" and success will follow.

Thank You,

Lion Houston Henderson,

NC State Extension Chair

Historian Committee

**Attachment "L"**

Report to the Council of Governors  
Holiday Inn Select, Hickory  
August 11, 2007

The Historian Committee has gained a few new members and we are eager to meet as a new unit. Each district committee chairperson is busy gathering information on all their clubs. Please be sure to give your representative at least one of your district directories for placing in the archives in the Stickley building.

If you haven't given us a picture for the District room in Stickley, please do so as soon as possible. We also need a picture of your Vice District Governor and Cabinet Secretary and Treasurer. Be sure that your chairperson collects photos or other items for your district bulletin board. Some photos of major events in your district will add to your bulletin board display.

Also, as your year unfolds, keep a record, diary, or scrapbook of events and items for adding to the archives for your district.

## Attachment "M"

International Association of Lions Clubs  
Information Technology Committee  
Michael H. Schwartz – Chairperson  
1678-C Robins Nest Court

Gastonia, North Carolina 28054 • (704) 854-5315 • MikeHSchwartz@AOL.COM

To: Council of Governors  
From: Michael H. Schwartz  
Chairperson, Information Technology Committee

Re: Committee Report

Date: August 10, 2007

I would like to thank the Council of Governors and its chairperson, Lion Steve Wilson, for allowing me the opportunity to serve as chairperson for the Information Technology Committee during this Lion's year. During this term, the committee will focus its attention on educating the districts and local clubs on the new Web Site Administrative Policy that was enacted during the 2006-2007 term of the Council of Governors.

Secondly, the committee will be working to create a statewide directory of club Web sites. This will help the committee in its responsibility of making sure districts and local clubs are in compliance with the new policy. .>

An initial review of district Web sites noted that District 31-G does not have an active Web sit^, while District 31-F and District 31-H display outdated information concerning district leadership and 2007-2008 calendared events.

Two new Web sites have been developed and districts governors are encouraged to include a hyperlink from their own respective sites to them to help educate our Lions statewide. The first is [www.sidscruggs.com](http://www.sidscruggs.com), which is the official Web site for Past International Director Sid L. Scruggs. The second is [www.ncvipfishing.org](http://www.ncvipfishing.org), which is the official Web site for the North Carolina Lions VIP Fishing Tournament.

Finally, I cannot provide an adequate excuse for the delay in publishing the Web site for the North Carolina Council of Governors. The committee, with the help of the Public Information & Education Committee, have been working with Journal.com, a Greensboro-based design and hosting company to create and publish our new state Web site. Unfortunately, I cannot get an appropriate answer as to why our site has not been designed or published. Funding for this project was approved during the 2005-2006 Lion's year.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve the Council of Governors. If I can ever be of assistance to the council please do not hesitate to contact me.

MD31 State Council Meeting

**Attachment "N"**

August 11, 2007

#### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Since the last council meeting, we have conducted our first VDG-elect training session. All eight of the announced candidates were present. District D has since selected a VDG who will be with us in our December training session.

PID Sid has asked me, and Lions International has appointed me, to serve as Team 20K coordinator for Multiple 31. Your team coordinator will assist you in reaching your membership targets as set in your membership growth plan.

Keep abreast of where you stand relative to your growth plan. Are your plans realistic and reachable? If not, identify problem areas and address special needs. Use your MERL team, keep membership growth in the forefront, focus on the positive and don't get discouraged.

Let me know if I can be of any help.

Bob Shook, Chairman

Leadership Development



NC LIONS STATE COUNCIL MEETING  
LIBERTY DAY COMMITTEE REPORT  
August 11, 2007  
Hickory, NC

**Attachment "O"**

State Council Chairman Steve Wilson, PDG  
State Secretary-Treasurer George Ohm  
Council of Governors:

The Liberty Day Committee is fully organized for 2007-2008 and our first meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 11, 2007 at noon in Hickory.

At that meeting we will address any directions from the State Council resulting from the caucus items discussed on August 10th. Other items on the agenda include the final selection of a site for the 2008 Liberty Day Celebration honoring the Air Force and approval of a pin and booklet design, pending Council's direction.

We welcome new members, Sherida Stevens, Dr. Angela J. Fryer and Peggy McGowan representing C, D, and G. I think DG Wayne may know one of them.

Although Wachovia Bank has agreed to design and print our booklets again, they will charge for the materials. (\$2179.50) Since the labor is contributed, their price is substantially below any other prospective printer. Again, directions from Council will be needed before we print.

Our committee looks forward to-another good year.

Yours in Lionism  
Jim Edmunds. State Chairman

LCIF/SightFirst II - Committee Report  
 MD 31 Council of Governors  
 August 11, 2007  
 PCC Harvey Whitley, Sector Coordinator

**Attachment "P"**

We are beginning our third year for Campaign SightFirst II. Like the little boy in the back seat of the car who asks his dad "are we there yet?" the answer is no, not yet. In fact, if we were traveling from Asheville to Williamston, we would just now be around Greensboro, about a third of the way to our destination. That is where we stand now as far as SightFirst II money pledged and club participation, about a third of our goal. The table below shows us where we are as of August 3, 2007:

District	Pledged	Clubs Participating	% Clubs Participating
31A	\$12,043	7	14%
31B	\$20,088	9	23%
31C	\$15,006	8	22%
31D	\$51,682	10	23%
31E	\$60,415	22	49%
31F	\$33,628-	16	30%
31G	\$103,855	.15	38%
31H	\$77,758	24	60
31J	\$6,546	7	16%

District 31G has the most in pledges at \$103,855. District 31H leads the way with 60% of their clubs participating.

The above numbers are as of August 3, 2007, but I have a Sector Report as of August 9, 2007 which shows the state of North Carolina with pledges of \$382,018 which represents 34% of our state goal of \$1,108,140.

The August 9 report also reports us at 32% club participation for North Carolina. So are we there yet? No, we have a long way to go.

How are we doing compared to our neighboring Lions as of August 9?

State	Members	Pledged	Per Member
NC	8,936	\$382,018	\$42.75
SC	4,655	\$400,196	\$85.97
FL	7,400	\$586,403	\$79.24
GA	6,850	\$213,880	\$31.22
AL	4,156	\$371,766	\$89.45

On June 16, 2007 all Sector and District Coordinators met in Atlanta to plan how we will complete the campaign this year and meet our goals. All Districts in MD 31 were able to be represented except 31 B and 3 IF. Participation packets were provided for those District Coordinators not able to attend.

At our Atlanta meeting, we set some action steps to begin this year:

1. Set up a meeting of Group Coordinators in each district to be held before August 31, 2007. At the meeting, evaluate the progress of each club in as to their level of need in getting involved with the Campaign. Is the district a "leading district", an "active district" or a "ready district"? Meetings have been set as follows:

31 A-August 26	31B-None set
31C-None set,	3 ID-August 18
3 IE- August 15	3 IF-August 16
31G-August 5	31H-August 5
3 1J -August 18.	

2. Each district will have monthly meetings to update progress. Meetings can be conference calls.

3. Each Sector Coordinator is to interview his District Governors about CSF II before August 31, 2007.

This is the last year for a club or individual to make a pledge and begin the giving process of three to five years, depending upon the amount pledged. I urge each District Governor to do the following to promote this campaign:

1. Include CSF II in your club visit address.
2. Call for a CSF II report from your District Coordinator at all district cabinet meetings.
3. Include an article in ALL of your DG Newsletters.
4. If you have not done so already, make your own personal pledge to CSF II.

Finally, I want to congratulate the 7 Model Clubs in MD 31. A Model Club is one that has pledged at least \$400 per member. Many thanks for the human impact created by these clubs as they lead the way:

Unionville—31E	Mt. Olive—31H
New Bern Twin Rivers—31H	Greensboro Gate City—3 ID
Raleigh Host—31 G	Walkertown—3 ID
Smithfield—31H	Apex – 31-G

I appreciate the opportunity to serve as your Sector Coordinator. It has been a most rewarding experience for me as I grow in learning of more ways to serve those who depend upon the Lions.

MD31 State Council Meeting  
August 11, 2007

**Attachment “Q “**

### State Leo Clubs Report

I'm lion Terry Cauble of the Mount Pleasant Lions club and proud to serve as the State Leo Clubs Chairperson.

Home Phone 704-982-6655 Cell 704-783-6474

E-mail: [caubleselectric@ctc.net](mailto:caubleselectric@ctc.net)

Please contact me with information about all Leo Clubs in your district.

### Important Dates To Note

There will be a Leo Officers and advisors meeting at Camp Dogwood on Saturday, September 29, 2007, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the planning of the Leo State Convention and other activities.

The 2008 State Leo Convention will be held at Camp Dogwood , Friday April 18, 2008 through Sunday, April 20, 2008.

Terry Cauble  
State Leo Clubs Chairperson

## LIONS QUEST COMMITTEE

Attachment "R"

PDG Stewart Wooten, Chairman

Quest is a program that teaches skills for life. It is divided into three levels. The levels are:

1. Skills for Growing (Grades K-5)

Addresses youth development, character education, and prevention initiatives

2. Skills for Adolescence (Grades 6-8)

Supports social and emotional learning, substance abuse prevention, service  
And character education initiatives

3. Skills for Action (Grades 9-12)

Helps adolescents develop personal, social, and cognitive skills through service  
Learning and skill development projects

The Quest Program is rooted in the belief that young people are valuable resources and can take active and meaningful roles in addressing issues that affect their lives, communities, and the world.

Staff development opportunities are available for teachers and other leaders in each of the levels -K-5, 6-8 and 9-12- Workshops can be sponsored by an individual school, a school district, or a Lions district. In addition LCIF offers regional two-day combination workshops in select cities throughout the year,. For regional workshops, teachers can register on an individual basis by calling 800-446-2700.

I have a package of materials that explains the program in more detail. A package is available for each District Governor and you are urged to review the materials and discuss it with your district chairperson. I suggest that the district chairperson meet with their local school representatives to share this valuable resource. Additional copies of this material can be ordered by calling the Lions Quest Program at 800-446-2700.

Additional information is available on line at [www.lions-quest.org](http://www.lions-quest.org).

Please call on me for advice or guidance. I am here to serve.

Stewart Wooten

Lions Quest Chair

## STATE MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Attachment "S"

by PDG Gene Everette, State Membership Chair

Holiday Inn - Hickory^ NC

August 11, 2007

Fellow LIONS, Ill be brief..... WE have a CHALLENGE TO CHANGE!

MEMBERSHIP is the LIFE BLOOD of LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL.

For the past several years, we have addressed many changes in our Membership Recruiting.... bringing in Women, initiating programs and plans to entice the "Younger Generations", many and varied INCENTIVE AWARDS, NEW TYPE CLUB FORMATIONS, ETC. All of which were very good.

However, WE must seek NEW and Challenging ideas that will appeal to ALL age levels and be relevant to the 21st. Century....we must be diversified and what appeals in ONE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA may not be appealing in other areas. Thus is the Challenge for US to study what works and what is not working in our immediate area. There is NO magical formula!

Let us focus on our own MD~31 from a POSTIVE FRAME OF MIND:

- Last year a total of 1,078 New Lions were introduced to LIONISM.
- We have the BEST Camp for the Blind in the United States.
- We have the BEST VIP Programs in the United States.
- We provide Research Monies to three major Hospitals in the STATE.
- We support our Industries for the Blind and Morehead School
- The majority of our (376) Clubs and (9) Districts throughout North Carolina meet our White Cane and Camp Dogwood goals.
- The majority of our Districts are making great headway with SightFirst II contributions.
- Most of our Clubs throughout our State meet or exceed the District Governors Goals for the Year.
- All (376) Lions Clubs in North Carolina do "GREAT WORK" within their own respective communities,

Why then....DO WE have a MEMBERSHIP PROBLEM? Fellow Lions, WE MUST TAKE A "HARD LOOK" within OUR OWN CLUB and see WHERE WE NEED TO MAKE THE NECESSARY CHANGES ...we must meet the "Challenge to Change" ... whatever that change may be!

Now looking at REALITY. We are starting a NEW YEAR and as of June 30, 2007 ALL Clubs throughout our NINE DISTRICTS have CLEANED HOUSE/REMOVED THE SO CALLED DEADWOOD. The/allowing is the current numbers/or each District starting out the

year (July 1, 2007) according to Lions Clubs International:

- District A = 1,050
  - District B = 904
  - District C = 677
  - District D = 1,124
  - District E = 1,029
  - District F = 1,216
  - District G = 1,164
  - District H = 886
  - District J = 886
- Total 9-Districts<sup>ss</sup> 8.936

Fellow LIONS, WE have our work cut out/or us, but WE CAN meet the "Challenge to Change" that is put before us by our new Lions Clubs International President Please refer to Page 25 in our latest (July/August) THE LION MAGAZINE and become familiar with LCI Presidents "Challenge to Change" Program that he has outlined for us to follow this year and if we do, then MEMBERSHIP will see an ALL TIME HIGH.

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Gene Everette. State Membership Chair*

Past International Directors:

Sid Scruggs, Lacy Presnell, Howard Stallings.  
State Council Chairman Steve Wilson  
State Secretary/Treasurer George Ohm

**Attachment "T"**

District Governors

District A will elect Lion Mike Covell of the Hendersonville Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009 at their district convention. Lion Marti Hill of the Greater Asheville Lions Club will be elected as Vice District Governor for 2008-2009,

District B will elect Lion Jerry Mertz from the South Iredell Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009. Lion Dot Nichols will be elected as Vice District Governor for 2008-2009.

District C will elect Lion Mike Schwartz of the Gaston Evening Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009.

District D will elect Lion Paul Gilgo of the Walkertown Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009.

District E will elect Lion H. Gordon McAdams from the FairGrove Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009. Lion Theresa Matthews of the Denton Lions Club will be elected as Vice District Governor for 2008-2009.

District F will elect Lion David R. Martin from the Sanford Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009.

District G will elect Lion Jerry Day from the Raleigh Host Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009.

District H will elect Lion Carlton Weeks from the Mt. Olive Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009.

District J will elect Lion Alex Thannikkary from the Roanoke Rapids Lions Club as District Governor for 2008-2009.

PDG Alien Deaton,  
State Nominations Chairman



MD31 Council of Governors  
Promotions Committee Report  
August 11, 2007.

**Attachment "U"**

Fellow Lions, for the past several years we have taken on a large project. We have endorsed PID Lion Sid Scruggs III for the high office of "Second Vice President" of Lions International. We have voted unanimously to give this endorsement to International at state conventions over and over.

There are several reasons why we have done this. Every time Lion Sid has been asked to come through for us, he has. For this purpose, I will give an example from my experience. When we were forming the China Grove Branch of the Rockwell Lion Club, I asked Lion Sid to come to China Grove and help us install this fine group. He told me it was not like installing a full club. I told him I realize this but I wanted them to feel how important this is to them.

Without batting an eye he asked when it would be held and what time he had to be there. When the time came, he was there with the ever present smile on his face and the warm reception for each and every one that attended. He told a few jokes and related experiences that showed the importance of being a Lion.

Each and every member of the club was so moved they still recount the events that happened that day.

I would challenge anyone who knows Lion Sid to come up with an occasion when he hasn't helped when called upon. For this reason, it is now time for the Lions of MD3 1 to step up and support this fine individual, not only with our vocal support but monetary support as well.

In the past we have done the same thing for PIP William "Bill" Woolard. Now I am asking the Lions of MD31 to support Lion Sid. As I said before, I ask nothing of you that my home club is not ready to back up. I asked my club to donate \$150.00 to Lion Sid's campaign fund and it was passed by 100% of all Lions present at the meeting. Now, I am asking the Lions Clubs of North Carolina to follow suit and donate the same. I realize that all clubs will not be able to do this but at least follow the example of the China Grove Branch. They are only nine lions strong with two more to install but they remember what Lion Sid did for them and they said they would try to raise \$ 100.00 for him.

If your club sees fit to do so, please make Checks payable to: NC Lions Promotions

Mail Checks to: Lion George D. Ohm  
Council Secretary-Treasurer  
411 Wiley Ave.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

Lion Morris Van Vleet  
State Promotions Chair  
P. O. Box 1406  
Rockwell, NC 28138

Thank you in advance for your support.

Morris Van Vleet  
State Promotions Chair.

August 11, 2007

**Attachment "V"**

MD 31 Statewide Retention Committee Report  
I. Frank Brooks, Jr. PDG  
MD 31 Statewide Retention Committee Chair

Dear Council Of Governors,

A new beginning and fresh start has begun with our Lionistic year 2007-2008. It is with enthusiasm, vigor, and, a rededication of commitment to serve that I greet you and ask at the same time for your continued support.

We are excited and pleased to have completed the printing and distribution of the revised MERL: Teamwork for Growth Booklet outlining the Statewide MERL Team goals and strategies. We are hopeful that the information, strategies, and thoughts compiled will be fully utilized to promote a positive and concentrated effort to correct our membership growth and retention problems.

In my final report to the Council Of Governors for 2006-2007, I emphasized the need to stress development and structure of the three (3) person membership committee on individual club level and MERL Teams on district level. It is imperative that we continue to focus on the importance of developing these committees and Teams, while not underestimating their impact for increasing and retaining membership on all levels of Lionism.

We must concern ourselves with proper orientation techniques and strategies not only for our new Lions, but the current ones. This goal can definitely be accomplished by conducting timely orientation programs on Club, Zone, and District levels. We must also communicate better with each other, sharing the wealth of knowledge we have accumulated over the many years in our service to Lionism. It is in our best interest that people joining Lionism, in concert with current members understand their value to the best service organization in the world.

In closing I would like to congratulate this Council of Governors on being elected to represent your respective Districts, all the Lions of Multiple District 31, as well as the great state of North Carolina. I look forward to a very challenging, but productive year of service with you for 2007-2008.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion I. Frank Brooks, Jr. PDG  
MD- 31 Statewide Retention Committee Chairperson

**George Ohm**

**From:** <marjan@bellsouth.net>  
**To:** <ohmg@bellsouth.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 03, 2007 6:54 PM  
**Subject:** NCLF Installation

To: State Sec/Treasurer George D. Ohm

Re: August 11 Installation

Please accept my apology for being unable to attend this event for the second year in a row. My entire family meets the first whole week in August and we will be returning that day.

Again, I am very happy to be able to serve as the state Women's Leadership chair. I look forward to being in contact with and meeting the district chairs and in planning for a very interesting seminar at the State Convention.

I have already received confirmation that we will have a slot on the program. Jane Huber, wife of PID Ron Huber has agreed to help with this. I also am planning to have a seminar at the district D convention in January. At that time I hope to involve our visiting International Directors' wife, as well as Jane, in the program.

I am very grateful for the leadership opportunities afforded to me through Lionism and want to help others learn of the opportunities available to them.

Please inform me of any information I need to be aware of.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lion Janet T. Doub

# 2007 Outbound Students

STUDENTS NAME	DISTRICT	DESTINATION
	District A/Frances Coates	
	District B/Wayne Thomas	
Bryttani Cauble	District D/Wayne	Finland/107-O
Lindsey Brost	District E/Doris Rushing	Austria MD114
Charlie Jenkins	District E/Doris	Germany Camp 7
David Hook	District E/Doris	Turkey
	District F/Jon	
Jake Silverman	District G/Sultan Piersall	Switzerland
Emily Butler	District H/Dale King	New Zealand
Elizabeth Campanello	District H/Dale King	Italy 108IB
	District J/Rhett White	

# 2007 YE INBOUND

NAME / GENDER-AGE	COUNTRY	E-MAIL
Sebastian Braun / M17 / x	Germany	sebastianjosias_braun@gmx.de
Florian Froese / M18 / x	Germany	florian@froese-net.com
Marine Billet / F18 / x	France	j-billet@wanadoo.fr
Ana Zarkovic/ F17 / x	Croatia	stanisa.zarkovic@vt.t-com.hr
Erdem Yilmaz/M /	Turkey	yerdem_@hotmail.com
Marja Karjalainan / F17 / x	Finland	arto.karjalainen@tapiola.fi
Ela Lipaz / F / x	Israel	lipstick512@nana.co.il
Sebastian Niederseer/M18 / x	Austria	wasti.n@gmx.at
Marthe Breure / F17 / x	Netherlands	breuretermeulen@solcon.nl
Nina Kristensen / F19 / x	Denmark	papa_soleil@hotmail.com
Lorenzo Pegoraro / M16 / x	Italy	info@castigliaassociati.it
Dettlii/M	Switzerland	alternate
Edgar Hidalgo / M20	Peru	edgar_ahs@hotmail.com
Marina Recalcatti / F21	Brazil	mery_luiza@yahoo.com.br
Tatiana Eremenko / F17	Russia	tata54@bk.ru

# 2006-2007 Youth Exchange Contributions

Contributor	Amount	Total
District A	\$500.00	\$500.00
District B	\$500.00	\$500.00
District C	\$0.00	
Lion Brad Perham	\$400.00	\$400.00
District D	\$638.00	\$638.00
District E	\$500.00	\$500.00
District F	\$500.00	\$900.00
Vass Lions	\$200.00	
Lions J&K Littlefield	\$200.00	
District G	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
District H*	\$750.00	
Hanover Lions	\$200.00	
Burgaw Lions	\$150.00	
Southport Lions	\$225.00	\$1,325.00
District J*	\$500.00	
First Flight Lions	\$50.00	\$550.00
-	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,313.00</b>

\*PLEASE NOTE: This only reflects the cash contribution to the YE Budget. The cost of activities, food and housing provided to District H and J Lions is not included in the above totals.

# 2006-2007 Youth Exchange Budget

	Lodging	Van	Gas	Food	Misc.	Ent.	Outbound	Postage	Webpage
August									\$12.70
Sept.									\$12.70
October									\$12.70
Nov.									\$12.70
Dec.									\$12.70
January									\$12.70
February									\$12.70
March								\$19.32	\$12.70
April									\$12.70
May									\$12.70
June								\$3.61	\$12.70
July			\$112.16	\$147.06	\$1.00				\$12.70
7/09 /M			\$96.00						
7/10 /T	\$72.42	\$101.36		\$35.00					
7/11 /W		\$101.36	\$115.36	\$76.92					
7/12 /TH		\$101.36	\$47.96	\$41.23					
7/13 /F		\$101.36	\$20.12	\$104.34					
7/14 /S		\$101.36	\$100.00	\$66.34					
7/15 /S		\$101.36		\$176.66					
7/16 /M		\$101.36	\$100.00	\$153.42	\$5.00				
7/17 /T		\$101.36				\$440.00			
7/18 /W		\$101.36	\$60.03	\$80.50		\$56.00			
7/19 /TH		\$101.36	\$48.90	\$46.80	\$5.00	\$363.36			
7/20 /F		\$101.40	\$20.10		\$11.39				
7/21 /S	\$2,028.35		110.48	\$52.45					
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$2,100.77</b>	<b>\$1,115.00</b>	<b>\$831.11</b>	<b>\$980.72</b>	<b>\$22.39</b>	<b>\$859.36</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>	<b>\$22.93</b>	<b>\$152.40</b>

**GRAND TOTAL**      **\$6,784.68**