

Lions Clubs International - Multiple District 31
North Carolina Lions State Council
Official Minutes

Saturday, August 13, 2005
9:00 AM

City Hotel & Bistro, Greenville, NC

Council Chairman, Brad Logsdon, called the first meeting of the 2005-06 North Carolina Lions Council to order at 9: 05 AM.

District Governor Steve Wilson gave the Invocation and District Governor Michael Allman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

For the record, the Council met in caucus on Friday evening, August 12, 2005. All nine District Governors were present at the caucus and at the August 13, 2005 Council Meeting:

DG Paul Vaughan	31-A	DG Gary P. Greene	31-F
DG Michael Allman	31-B	DG G. Steve Wilson	31-G
DG Ronald B. Supinger	31-C	DG Barbara Mayes	31-H
DG Paul Bledsoe	31-D	DG Laurence H. Sandy	31-J
DG Dale Dupree	31-E		

CC Logsdon welcomed all Lions and Guests to the meeting and invited comments from Past International Directors.

PID Sid Scruggs requested a formal vote on the Resolution of Support for International Second Vice President candidate Al Brandel. Due to time restraints, the Governors Elect were polled at the International Convention in Hong Kong and unanimously pledged their support for candidate Al Brandel. Scruggs stated that there will be a contested race in New Orleans and Brandel appreciated our support. He also suggested that as many as possible attendees to the 2006 Convention be certified delegates. Scruggs himself now expects to be eligible to run for 2nd Vice President in 2008.

Allman moved to endorse PID Al Brandel for 2nd Vice President of LCI; seconded by Supinger.

Motion passed.

(See attachment "A")

Sandy moved to re-affirm the Council's endorsement of PID Sid Scruggs for 2nd Vice President of LCI; seconded by Greene. Motion passed.

(See attachment "B")

Scruggs will be presenting the Mission 30 Seminar at 1:00 PM this afternoon. Mission 30 is a worldwide effort to facilitate the President's "One Plus One" program of one new member per club and one new club per district during this Lionistic year.

All District Convention speakers have been confirmed, however each District Governor must submit a speaker's request form to International headquarters to be entered in the schedule. Governors should also send their newsletters to their respective visiting Directors.

First Vice President Jimmy Ross is scheduled to speak at the 2006 State Convention in Greenville. Knowing that Ross is very interested and proficient in forming new Lions Clubs, Scruggs expects Ross to offer his expertise to help form new clubs in the Greenville area while he is here.

Scruggs described several items covered at the International Board meeting in Hong Kong.

- In an effort to provide continuity to membership efforts, beginning 2007-08 there will no longer be an annual stand-alone Presidential Membership initiative.
- A revamp of the Year-Round-Growth program will include immediate recognition of new member sponsors by the International President. Secretaries must include the sponsor's name and member number on the MMR reports, so that sponsors can be recognized.
- In addition to the Year-Round-Growth program, clubs are urged to return to the practice of October membership drives.
- A new grant initiative will provide up to \$20,000.00 for districts to conduct membership drives in large urban markets.

The Annual LCI- US Blind Golfers Championship will be held at Wildwood Green Golf Course in Raleigh on October 3rd. As LCI has reduced matching grants for this project, Scruggs asked for each district provide a co-sponsorship of \$100 and at least one foursome to the tournament.

(See attachment "C")

Membership in MD31 is now down to 9406 members. This is crucial as we are one of the few multiples in the entire association with no full districts; essentially every district is in transition.

PID Howard Stallings reminded the Governors to always consider "your supporting cast" of your cabinet and presidents and secretaries of clubs to achieve your plans and goals. Stallings stated that he can now be reached at his son's e-mail address. Kipstallings@smna.com

PID Lacy Presnell, tongue in cheek, offered himself as a source of historical happenings prior to PID's Stallings' and Scruggs' terms of office.

Communications:

State Secretary-Treasurer George Ohm announced the disbanding of the Banoak Lions Club in D31-B. Invoices for the first half dues were sent to districts on August 6th with payment due September 10th. The joint Nebraska-North Carolina Ice Cream Social will be held at the USA/Canada Forum at the Peoria Holiday Inn City Center, on Friday, September 23, at 8:30 PM. The website domain name, nclions.org was renewed for a two year period.

Logsdon reported a request from Leader Dogs to petition LCI for the mailing list of Lions in MD31. In caucus the Governors decided to allow releasing only the club presidents' and secretaries' names and addresses to Leader Dog.

Mayes moved to allow only the names of Club Presidents and Secretaries in MD31 to be given to Leader Dogs; Sandy seconded the motion. Motion passed

DG Paul Bledsoe was appointed parliamentarian.

Logsdon asked for a motion to approve the Council Officers appointed at the International Convention in Hong Kong:

Council Chair – Brad Logsdon, PDG

Chaplain – DG Steve Wilson

Tail Twister – DG Dale Dupree

Vice Council Chair – DG Michael Allman

Parliamentarian – DG Paul Bledsoe

Council Secretary-Treasurer – George Ohm, PDG

Bledsoe moved to approve the officer appointments; seconded by Supinger. Motion Passed.

Dupree moved to approve the Minutes of the April 29, 2005 meeting; seconded by Bledsoe. Motion Passed.

Ohm presented the current 2005-06 Financial Report. He pointed out the addition income of a \$50,000 LCIF Grant to UNC Chapel Hill Diabetic Eye Care Center. This will in turn be forwarded to the NCLF for distribution. (See attachment "D")

The 2004-05 Year-end Financial report was also given. Additional incomes included \$75,000 grant from LCIF for the Lineberger Dormitory, \$8651 from the Governor's Capsule Project and \$2900 from the State License Plate project. Expenses were within the budget. (See attachment "E")

Allman moved to approve the Year-end Financial Report; seconded by Sandy. Motion passed.

Ohm continued with the proposed Budget for 2005-06. The budget includes projected added income from the dues increase approved in April 2005 and a new initiative for a statewide advertising campaign. Expense items increased were line items for The Council Chair, Retention, Orientation, Leadership and Statewide Committees. The Statewide Committee Chair Expense Voucher was amended to increase the Housing allowance from \$35 to \$50 per night to match LCI rules of audit. Additional expenses were also allotted for extra mailings of the statewide newspaper "Lionism". Ohm requested a motion to approve payment of expenses for presenters at the Leadership Schools for the District Governors and Vice District Governors.

Wilson moved to approve payment of expenses for the presenters at the Leadership Schools for the District Governors and Vice District Governors; seconded by Greene. Motion passed.

Bledsoe moved to approve the 2005-06 Budget as presented; seconded by Vaughan. Motion passed.
(See attachment "F")

Greene urged all chairs of the MERLO Team to plan activities to utilize the moneys appropriated for their teams. MERLO Teams must be pro-active to achieve success.

Scruggs suggested that the Council Financial Report include the funds collected and expended for the Promotions Sub-Committee to provide a single rendering for the Lions of North Carolina. Ohm stated he would attempt to blend both reports for the November meeting.

Ohm continued with a request for approval to continue with RLI Insurance for the State Secretary's Bond and the Statewide District Secretaries Bonds, as well as approval to continue deposit of the Council funds in the First Bank in Salisbury.

Dupree moved to approve RLI Insurance as bonding agent and for deposit of Council funds in the First Bank in Salisbury. Wilson seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

NCLF President Carlton Metts reported that we housed two hundred more campers this year due to the new Wanda Lineberger Dormitory. The Executive Director, President and Vice Presidents were involved in screening all counselors, resulting in a close working team at the camp this year. He recently spent a week volunteering at the camp and was thoroughly impressed with the conduct of the staff and enjoyment of the campers. Metts wants to start the Speakers Bureau this year and asked the Governors to provide names of 5 to 10 qualified Lions in each district to come to Camp Dogwood for training. The trained speakers would then visit each club in their district informing club members of all the programs of the Foundation. Metts urged the Lions to keep the momentum going towards a second new dormitory. The debt for the Lineberger Dormitory is down to nearly \$100,000.

Metts reminded the Council of the decision in May of the NCLF Board to approve a request of \$230,000 from the Wake Forest Lions Eye Clinic, which was predicated on a matching grant from LCIF. The Foundation currently has \$150,000 in the Clinical Eye Research account. A matching grant for \$75,000 would satisfy the request. Metts asked for a motion by the Council to request the grant. Lion Steve Walker will prepare the application for the grant. (See attachment "G")

Wilson moved to request a \$75,000 matching grant from LCIF for Clinical Eye Research at Wake Forest Lions Eye Clinic; seconded by Supinger. Motion Passed

Executive Director Steve Walker announced that he would be presenting a \$100,000 grant to a UNC-Chapel Hill Diabetic Eye Clinic at the banquet this evening. This will complete the project at UNC-Chapel Hill. Walker also distributed NCLF Directories during the day.

PDG Ivy Iverson presented the Final Report of the 2005 State Convention. Iverson thanked the North Raleigh, Raleigh Southeast, Apex and Garner Lions Clubs for their untiring efforts in making a successful convention. Thirty-four Golfers played in the Friday morning golf tournament. The Hospitality room was well attended and faithfully manned by Lions coordinated by Laraine Dupree And DGE Barbara Mayes. Fun Night Silent Auction netted \$2800 for the International Officer's Campaign Fund and the tail Twister's Breakfast netted \$3208. The Council held two sessions for reports and business. Four Hundred and twenty-five Lions and Guests attended District Governors' Banquet. Many Lions from across the state were recognized for service. Due to hard work, thriftiness, and perseverance the committee financed the entire convention and showed income exceeding expenses. Iverson presented a check of \$10,000 to the Council with some additional moneys once the account is closed. (See attachment "H")

Vaughan moved to approve the final Convention Report and to thank the Committee for a fine convention; seconded by Sandy. Motion passed.

Logsdon announced that in addition to the Leadership and Presidential Medals presented at the State Convention, PID Scruggs was able to secure another Presidential Medal and presented it to PCC Jim Sasser at the District 31-C Cabinet Installation.

Ohm reported that the Southeast Leadership Institute hosted by North Carolina at Camp Dogwood for the last 2 years would be moving to Florida in 2006. We currently have a \$1792.56 in surplus of funds in the account after paying all of the bills. He asked for approval to close out the account and place the funds in the Council account and used for Leadership training.

Mayes moved to close out the account and place the \$1792.56 surplus funds into the Leadership account; seconded by Supinger. Motion passed.

2006 State Convention Chair David Boyd reported on plans for the 2006 State Convention in Greenville NC. Contracts have been signed with the Greenville Hilton and the City Hotel & Bistro. Room rates will be \$79.99 at the Hilton and \$69.99 at the City Hotel. Exhibitors will be charged \$10 each for tables. A western style fun night is being planned in honor of our speaker, 1st Vice President Jimmy Ross of Texas. Meal Costs will be: Fun Night - \$15.00, Tail-Twister's Breakfast - \$15.00, PDG Luncheon - \$13.00 and the District Governor's Banquet - \$25.00. (See attachment "I")

Allman made a motion to approve the 2006 Convention Report; Seconded by Wilson. Motion Passed.

Boyd continued with the Promotions Report saying that he has transferred all of the clothing items to incoming Promotions Chairperson, Pat Roland. He noted that he was able to build interest in Lions logo items with the introduction of Polo Type shirts in various colors. He still had a surplus of the all cotton shirts that he suggested we continue to discount. (See attachment "J")

Lion Gwen White, State Conventions Committee Chair, congratulated PDG Iverson on the excellent convention he and his committee produced. White recommended that the 2007 State Convention be held in Asheville on May 31 – June 3, 2007. The headquarters hotel will be the Asheville Renaissance Hotel. Preliminary talks indicate that the hotel is willing to make concessions totaling \$35,000 in room rates and other items to hold the convention. Rooms will be \$99.00 per night . PDG Joe Silvers has agreed to Chair the Convention. (See attachment "K")

Vaughan moved to accept the recommendation and hold the 2007 Convention at the Ashville Renaissance Hotel on may 31- June 3, 2007; seconded by Dupree. Motion Passed.

White commenting that no site has been selected for the 2008 convention however she was looking toward the last weekend in May, May 29- June 2, 2008 for the convention.

Dupree moved to approve the State Convention report; seconded by Greene. Motion passed.

After a 20-minute break the Council meeting resumed at 10:45 AM.

Logsdon announced a new statewide Lions Promotional Campaign to advertise what lions do across the state. The Campaign will be financed by soliciting \$1500 from each district with \$1500 matching funds from LCI, providing a \$27,000 budget to work with. Plans include TV cable advertising in co-operation with Time-Warner Cable, newspapers and billboard advertising. In addition Lions Clubs International has announced a grant program of up to \$20,000 for membership development in major metropolitan areas. Governors are making plans to apply for such grants in the Charlotte, Greensboro and Raleigh areas for 2006.

In addition, the District Governors decided to mail 3000 additional copies of the NC Lions Newspaper to Libraries, Doctors Offices, Schools, newspapers, etc. The Governors will develop a mailing list for each district to supplement the NCLF mailing List.

Scruggs mentioned a fold over business card size brochure is available from LCI, (ME-3325M), for distribution to prospects.

Logsdon read the list of Statewide Committee Chairs serving in 2005-06.

Boys & Girls Homes – W. Brad Logsdon
Campus Clubs – Gilbert Abraham
Club Supplies – Clarence Williford
Constitution & By-Laws – Ronald F. Kelly
Diabetes - William V. Barnwell
Extension - Houston Henderson
Historian - Dr. Ted James
Information Technology – Carlton Metts, II
Leadership Development – Robert Moorehead
Liberty Day – John M. Kearney
LCIF/Sight First – Diane B. Whitley

Leo Clubs – A. Paul Smith
Membership – Jack Bryan
Nominating – Allen W. Deaton
Orientation – Edward D. Shivers, III
Promotions – Pat Roland
Research/Long range Planning – John J. O'Malley
Retention – I. Frank Brooks
State Convention – Gwen White
Women's Leadership – JoAnne Goetz
Youth Exchange – Karen Littlefield
Youth Outreach – Stuart Wooten

The Mission 30 Committee Chair is currently unfilled.

Vaughan moved to approve the Statewide Committee Chairpersons; seconded by Supinger. Motion Passed.

Statewide Committee Reports:

Boys & Girls Home – Brad Logsdon stated that Boys and Girls Homes was dear to his heart and thanked the Council for the privilege to Chair this committee. He explained that due to State budget cuts donations to Boys & Girls Homes are more critical than ever. He pleaded with the Governors and Lions Clubs to forward funds as they are received and not wait until the end of the year. The staff at B&GH is capable of directing credit to each and every donor. He reported that of students attending and graduating from nearby high schools a majority is going on to college.

Campus Clubs – Gilbert Abraham sent a report in his absence.

(See attachment "L")

Diabetes - Bill Barnwell reported that Diabetes affects 6 percent of the adult population of the US. His report included the tremendous health cost and loss of life due to Diabetes. We must increase the awareness of North Carolinians of the dangers of Diabetes. He distributed a packet of information garnered from many sources for the Governors.

(See attachment "M")

Bledsoe suggested that the Council should sponsor a statewide Diabetes Awareness event. Barnwell stated that Henderson County sponsors a Diabetes Fair in cooperation with local hospitals. November is National Diabetes Awareness Month.

Extension Committee – Houston Henderson stated that reaching only the President’s Goal of One new Member per Club and One New Club per District is just not enough for North Carolina. Since MD31 has no district with a full complement of members we need a goal of at least two new clubs per district. We must all work towards this goal. (See Attachment “N”)

Historian Committee. – Ted James stated that the goal of the committee this year is to publish the Third Edition of the History of Lionism in North Carolina, 1988 – 2006. The Committee will actively gather information from Clubs, PID’s, PDG’s, NCLF and state officers, residing within their districts. To prevent a surplus of copies, the committee will require pre-ordering of books before publication. (See Attachment “O”)

Information Technology – Carli Metts reported a new look to the State web site. The we-site domain name, “nclions.org”, has been renewed for two years. He asked Governors and committee chairs to let him know of any activities they want listed on the web site.

Leadership Development – Robert Moorehead stated that the training sessions for the District Governor Elects would be December 2-4, 2005 and February 23-25, 2006. He commented that four of the nine DGE’s had attended the Southeastern Leadership Institute at Camp Dogwood. The DGE’s should consider who their Council Secretary-Treasurer should be so he or she can be invited to the February Session. LCI has provided a CD for training of Vice District Governors. Vice Governor training will be in April 2006. (See Attachment “P”)

Liberty Day – John Kearney reported that to date we have given away 20,000 Liberty Day booklets. It is time to purchase new booklets. Kearney has secured quotes for 5000 booklets for \$3000.00 or 10000 for \$4000.00. He is also investigating a possibility of a company printing them free. He asked for authority to purchase 10000 booklets at \$4000.

Sandy moved to authorize the purchase of 10,000 booklets at \$4000, and to adjust the Budget to accommodate the expense.; seconded by Wilson. Motion Passed.

Kearney will also order 450 Liberty Day trading pins honoring the US Marines.

(See Attachment “Q”)

LCIF/Sight First – Diane Whitley reported on the LCIF donations towards rebuilding homes and schools in Southeast Asia after the Tsunami. Rebuilding is concentrated in Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Thailand. LCIF is credited with being the first non-governmental organization to follow through with its commitments to aid in reconstruction. (See Attachment “R”)

Leo Clubs – Paul Smith suggested that we look to churches or other organizations, in addition to schools, to form Leo Clubs. The schools are already overburdened. (See attachment “S”)

Membership – Jack Bryan stated that it should be no surprise that we are not meeting district goals on membership and retention. We must adapt to a newer generation and get their attention if we want to increase our membership. Once we have their attention we must keep them busy, but always remember that family and children come first if you want to retain them. (See attachment “T”)

Nominating – Allen Deaton reported that all nine districts have a serving Vice District Governor for 2005-06. Only one district, D31-C, has a candidate for Vice District Governor for 2006-07.

(See attachment “U”)

Orientation – Ed Shivers reminded all Governors that all new Lions should receive “New Member Orientation. This provides an overview of Lionism in North Carolina; it’s history, organization, programs and services. Shivers also suggested that clubs hold a re-orientation once a year as a refresher and inform of current changes.

(See attachment “V”)

Research & Long Range Planning – John O’Malley had no report at this time. However, the Council has asked the committee to look towards a 2 to 5 year long-range planning program for the Council. He will ask each state committee chair to submit plans for their committee and then the LRPC will consolidate those plans into a statewide plan for the Council.

Retention – L. Frank Brooks. We continue to lose members because they lose interest. We tend to lose more members than we gain. We must be more vigilant in club management; considering why members leave. Region and Zone chairs should be involved as well as Presidents and Secretaries to correct the reasons for loss.

(See attachment “W”)

Women’s Leadership – JoAnne Goetz presented a report from LCI outlining Women’s Leadership Symposiums, which further women’s leadership opportunities in Districts. She is planning to meet with all District Women’s leadership Chairs at the November Council Meeting. (See attachment “X”)

Youth Exchange – Paulette Gasperson reported on the 2005 Youth Exchange travel and camping season. Three students from North Carolina traveled abroad to Italy, Austria and Denmark. This year the youth toured the Eastern part of the State. Gasperson thanked all Governors and Lions who hosted the students. She had exceptional co-operation and help this year.

(See attachment “Y”)

Youth Exchange – Karen Littlefield has no report for this meeting. The students will travel the western half of the state and she will be asking for host homes for next year. Littlefield also will urge more students to travel overseas next year.

Youth Outreach – Stewart Wooten state the Youth Outreach mission statement:” To provide each of the Districts in North Carolina with knowledge on all the programs available for children which will help challenge youth to learn, to achieve and to serve.“ He asked each District Governor or Youth Outreach Chair to complete a survey of goals and activities within their district. (See attachment “Z”)

Club Supplies – Clarence Williford stated, as this is a new committee, that he has not seen the description of his duties from LCI. However, he did encourage clubs to use the LCI Supplies catalog to purchase supplies and awards.

Vaughan moved to approve the Committee reports; seconded by Sandy. Motion passed.

New Business:

PDG Gene Everette asked to be recognized. Everette recommended that the Blueprint for Growth booklet last printed two years ago be updated and have 600 copies printed for an estimated \$2.00 per copy. The Governors approved the update but suggested that Everette investigate putting the booklet on CD at a reduced cost.

Bledsoe outlined a new initiative to fund Sight First II in North Carolina. The plan is to raffle a luxury vehicle with 900 tickets at \$100 each. This would bring in an estimated \$90,000 less a vehicle cost of \$38,000 resulting in proceeds of \$52,000. Seventh-five percent of the proceeds would go to Sight First II; the remaining 25% to White Cane. The Governors are convinced that this project will not affect the Camp Dogwood ticket sales.

Allman moved to approve the Luxury Automobile raffle and splitting the proceeds by 75% to Sight First II and 25% to White Cane. The motion was seconded by Wilson. Motion Passed.

Logsdon called for a motion to appoint a secretary-Treasurer for the Promotions Committee.

Mayes moved to appoint Ohm as Secretary-Treasurer of the Promotions Committee; seconded by Dupree. Motion passed.

Bledsoe asked for all of the Governors to meet after the evening banquet to discuss marketing strategies.

The next Council meeting will on November 12, 2005 at the Marriott Hotel, Charlotte, NC.

Logsdon expressed the Council's Thanks to those providing the Hospitality room during this weekend.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

George D. Ohm, PDG
MD31 State Secretary-Treasurer



Resolution of Endorsement

Whereas, Lion Albert F. Brandel, Past International Director, of Melville, New York, has been endorsed by the Lions of MD-20 New York for the office of 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International, and

Whereas, Past International Director Brandel is an outstanding Lion leader and has demonstrated those qualities befitting of the high office of 2nd Vice President; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the 2005-2006 Council of Governors of Multiple District 31 – North Carolina and the Lions of North Carolina hereby endorse and express their support for Past International Director Al Brandel, and encourage the Lions of the world to support and vote for him for 2nd Vice President at the 89th International Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana in 2006.

W. Brad Logsdon, PDG
Council Chair 2005-2006
Multiple District 31
North Carolina

Sid L. Scruggs, III
Past International Director
2000-2002

**The International Association of Lions Clubs
Multiple District 31, North Carolina**

RESOLUTION OF ENDORSEMENT

For the High Office of 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International

Whereas, Lion Sid L. Scruggs, III of the Vass Lions Club has served the Lions of North Carolina and the world in an outstanding manner as an International Director during the years 2000 to 2002; and

Whereas, Past International Director Scruggs has demonstrated that he has the leadership, talent, time, attitude, skills, and knowledge to be an effective and outstanding Executive Officer for the International Association of Lions Clubs: and

Whereas, Lion Scruggs has the support of his wife, **Lion Judy**, and they both have dedicated their lives to serving mankind through Lionism; and

Whereas, We the Council of Governors of Multiple District 31, North Carolina, express our continuing support of the candidacy of **Lion Scruggs** for the High Office of Second Vice President; now, therefore be it

Resolved, That the **Council of Governors of Multiple District 31, North Carolina**, in conference assembled at Greenville, North Carolina this 13th day of August 2005, do hereby unanimously and wholeheartedly endorse **Lion Sid L. Scruggs, III** for the High Office of Second Vice President of the International Association of Lions Clubs.

W. Brad Logsdon, PDG
Council Chairperson
MD31 – North Carolina

George D. Ohm, PDG
State Secretary-Treasurer
MD31 – North Carolina

MD31 Council Of Governors Meeting
Greenville, North Carolina
August 13, 2005



Registration (Entry) Form
2005 LCIF-USBGA Championship
Golf Tournament

ATTACHMENT C



We Serve

Monday, October 3, 2005

Tee Time: 1:00 pm

Wildwood Green Golf and Country Club
 Strickland Road, Raleigh, NC 27613
 (919) 846-8376

JOIN US IN THIS CAUSE BY SUPPORTING THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

I (WE) ALSO WANT TO HELP THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED BY BECOMING A

_____ **FRIEND**
 (\$99 OR LESS)

_____ **HOLE SPONSOR**
 (\$100)

_____ **BRONZE SPONSOR**
 (\$300= Hole Sponsor +2 Players)

_____ **SILVER SPONSOR**
 (\$500= Hole Sponsor + 4 Players)

_____ **GOLD SPONSOR**
 (\$1000= Hole Sponsor + 8 Players)

I WANT TO HELP THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED BY SERVING AS A VOLUNTEER

_____ (Volunteer Name)

_____ **Tue Oct 4th** and/or _____ **Wed Oct 5th**
 (Select Day(s) You Wish To Volunteer)

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **Raleigh Host Lions Club**

ENTRANCE FEE = \$75 EACH PLAYER

Team Name: _____

MEMBER # 1 _____	HANDICAP: _____
MEMBER #2 _____	HANDICAP: _____
MEMBER #3 _____	HANDICAP: _____
MEMBER #4 _____	HANDICAP: _____

One USBGA Player will be with each foursome in a Scramble format

1ST PLACE, 2ND PLACE, 3RD PLACE, Prizes awarded

REGISTRATION FORM WITH PAYMENT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:

Lion Bobby Brown
P.O. Box 98266, Raleigh, NC 27624
Ph (919) 782-0565 Fx (919) 235-3348

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2005-06 Council Financial Statement
August 11, 2005

INCOME:	05-06 Budget	05-06 Actual	(over) / under	Line Item
BAL FWD (unrestricted)	23,387.19	23,387.19	-	100
State Dues (.Est 9400 X \$3.50 for 05-06)	32,900.00	-	32,900.00	110
Interest Received (Currently 1%)	250.00	22.52	227.48	120
District Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer Bonds	417.50	-	417.50	130
Vendor space rental at State Convention	300.00	-	300.00	140
Taittwister's ticket sales and auction (State Conv.)	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	150
Youth Exchange Funds (restricted - Incl Bal Fwd)	5,866.93	1,366.93	4,500.00	160
Liberty Day Funds (restricted - Incl Bal Fwd.)	3,359.08	1,359.08	2,000.00	165
Misc. Income not Budgeted	4,000.00	50000.00	(46,000.00)	170
Lions License Plate Project (Incl Bal Fwd)	3,580.00	3860.00	(280.00)	180
MD31- Statewide Advertising project	27,000.00	0.00	27,000.00	185
Total Income	<u>103,560.70</u>	<u>79,995.72</u>	<u>23,564.98</u>	
EXPENSES:				
Financial Audit	350.00	0.00	350.00	200
Treasurer's Bond	520.50	520.50	-	210
Clerical Services - NCLF	600.00	0.00	600.00	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	350.00	0.00	350.00	230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	146.59	353.41	240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	0.00	500.00	250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)	200.00	0.00	200.00	260
Plaques and Gifts	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	270
State Council Meetings	250.00	0.00	250.00	280
Expenses - State Secretary / Treasurer	3500.00	0.00	3,500.00	290
Expenses - State Council Chair	5300.00	0.00	5,300.00	300
State Convention - cash advance	6000.00	0.00	6,000.00	310
Membership committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	320
Extension Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	330
Retention Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	340
Leadership Committee	3400.00	0.00	3,400.00	350
Orientation Committee	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	360
State Council Committee Expenses	9000.00	0.00	9,000.00	370
Liberty Day	2000.00	0.00	2,000.00	380
Leo Clubs Expenses	1000.00	0.00	1,000.00	390
Youth Exchange (from Council Funds)	500.00	0.00	500.00	400
NCLF Newspaper Mailings	3000.00	0.00	3,000.00	405
MD31- Statewide Advertising project	27000.00	0.00	27,000.00	410
Misc Expenses not budgeted	6000.00	0.00	6,000.00	415
Total Expenses	<u>74,970.50</u>	<u>667.09</u>	<u>74,303.41</u>	
Contingency	28,590.20	79,328.63	(50,738.43)	
Total	<u>103,560.70</u>	<u>79,995.72</u>	<u>23,564.98</u>	

Notes:

Line 110 - July 1, 2005 MD31 Membership = 9406

Line 170 - \$50,000 LCI Check for UNC Grant

Line 180 - \$480 license plate checks

North Carolina Lions State Council
2004-2005 Year End Financial Statement
August 7, 2005

INCOME:	Budget	8/7/05	(over)/Under	Line Item
Funds from prior years	26,070.67	26,070.67		100
State Dues per member (\$2.50 x 9869 as of 6/30/04)	24,672.50	24,346.75	325.75	110
Interest Received	-	42.41	(42.41)	120
District Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer Bonds	417.50	417.51		130
Vendor space rental at State Convention	450.00	100.00	350.00	140
Tailtwister's ticket sales and auction (State Conv.)	2,000.00	3,208.00	(1,208.00)	150
Youth Exchange Funds restricted current year	-	4,650.00	(4,650.00)	160
Misc. Income not Budgeted	-	10,019.59	(10,019.59)	170
District Governor's Capsule Program	-	8,651.00		175
LCIF Grant - Camp Dogwood Dorm.	-	75,000.00		180
Lions License Plate Project	-	2900.00		185
Total Income	53,610.67	155,405.93	(101,795.26)	
EXPENSES:				
Financial Audit	350.00	350.00	0.00	200
Treasurer's Bond	520.50	520.50	0.00	210
Clerical Services - NCLF	600.00	600.00	0.00	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	300.00	283.57	16.43	230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	249.16	250.84	240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	321.77	178.23	250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)	200.00	0.00	200.00	260
Plaques and Gifts	1,000.00	783.46	216.54	270
State Council Meetings	250.00	193.81	56.19	280
Expenses - State Secretary / Treasurer	3,800.00	3708.35	91.65	290
Expenses - State Council Chair	5,000.00	5156.82	-156.82	300
State Convention - cash advance	6,000.00	6000.00	0.00	310
Membership committee	1,000.00	0.00	1000.00	320
Extension Committee	1,000.00	0.00	1000.00	330
Retention Committee	500.00	0.00	500.00	340
Leadership Committee	2,500.00	2575.90	-75.90	350
Orientation Committee	500.00	0.00	500.00	360
State Council Committee Expenses	8,000.00	7809.40	190.60	370
Liberty Day	2,000.00	1293.75	706.25	380
Leo Clubs Expenses	1,000.00	417.67	582.33	390
Youth Exchange (from Council Funds)	500.00	5383.07	-4883.07	400
Misc Expenses not budgeted	1,000.00	6814.50	-5814.50	410
District Governor's Capsule Program	-	8451.00	-8451.00	415
LCIF Grant - Camp Dogwood Dorm.	-	75000.00	-75000.00	420
Total Expenses	37,020.50	125,912.73	(88,892.23)	
Contingency	16,590.17	29,493.20	(12,903.03)	
Total	53,610.67	155,405.93	(101,795.26)	

Notes:

- Line 100: Includes Designated Funds: Youth Exchange \$2100; Liberty Day \$475.72
- Line 170: \$675 LCI Leadership Funds; \$500 D3H disaster Relief; \$948 Liberty Day Pins; \$3831.85 2004 State Conv Profits: \$450 DG Stickley Fund + \$50 duplicate Capsule check refunded to Chase L/C
- Line 210: \$103 Council Sec-Treas Bond and \$417.50 for District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer Bonds
- Line 280: \$193.81 Raleigh Council Mtg Hospitality room.
- Line 290 Council approved additional \$300 4/30/05)
- Line 310: 2005 State Convention \$4000 advance plus \$2000 additional for selling \$6000 Ads by Nov. 13, 2004.
- Line 380: \$778.50 purchase Liberty Day Pins plus \$515.25 Liberty Day expenses @ Raleigh
- Line 400: Youth Exchg. Bal fwd \$2100 + 500 Budget+\$500 donations = \$3100 less \$2883.07 exp. = +216.93 bal. 9/1/04
 Incl. \$2500 advance appr. 4/30/05
- Line 410: Incl \$500 Donation from D3H Oklahoma, \$250 DG Ad in state Conv Prog, \$500 DG JSF,
 and \$50 refund to Chase L/C duplicate capsule pmt. +\$70 For WLW Endwmtnt + \$50.00 Refund D31-G overpayment.

North Carolina Lions State Council
Proposed 2005-06 Council Budget
August 11, 2005

INCOME:	04-05 Budget	04-05 Actual	05-06 Budget	Line Item
BAL FWD (unrestricted)	26,070.67	23,494.95	23,387.19	100
State Dues (.Est 9400 X \$3.50 for 05-06)	24,672.50	24,346.75	32,900.00	110
Interest Received (Currently 1%)	-	42.41	250.00	120
District Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer Bonds	417.50	417.51	417.50	130
Vendor space rental at State Convention	450.00	100.00	300.00	140
Tailtwister's ticket sales and auction (State Conv.)	2,000.00	3,208.00	2,500.00	150
Youth Exchange Funds (restricted - Incl Bal Fwd)		6,750.00	5,866.93	160
Liberty Day Funds (restricted - Incl Bal Fwd.)		2,652.83	3,359.08	165
Misc. Income not Budgeted		8042.35	4,000.00	170
Lions License Plate Project (Incl Bal Fwd)		3380.00	3,580.00	180
MD31- Statewide Advertising project			27,000.00	185
Total Income	53,610.67	72,434.80	103,560.70	
EXPENSES:				
Financial Audit	350.00	350.00	350.00	200
Treasurer's Bond	520.50	1041.00	520.50	210
Clerical Services - NCLF	600.00	600.00	600.00	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	300.00	283.57	350.00	230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	395.75	500.00	240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	321.77	500.00	250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)	200.00	0.00	200.00	260
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NCLF Newspaper Mailings			3000.00	405
MD31- Statewide Advertising project			27000.00	410
Misc Expenses not budgeted	1,000.00	6814.50	6000.00	415
Total Expenses	37,020.50	43,128.82	74,970.50	
Contingency	16,590.17	29,305.98	28,590.20	
Total	53,610.67	72,434.80	103,560.70	

8/11/05

2005-06 Budget Notes:

Income

- Line 100 -Non Restrict BAL FWD (Restricted Youth Exch \$1366.93; Liberty Day \$1359.08:\$3380.00 for License plates added to respective lines)
Checkbook Bal \$29493.20 less Restricted funds(1366.93+ 1359.08+ 3380.00) = 23387.19 Non Restricted.
- Line 110 - Council Dues @ \$3.50 / member - based on 9400 members = \$32900.00
- Line 130 - Statewide blanket bond for District Cabinet Sec/treas \$417.50 /year @ \$46.39 per district.
- Line 140 - Only one vendor purchased table for Conv - Reduced fee to \$100. from \$150.
- line 160 - Youth Exch budget income based on \$500 donation per district plus \$1366.93 bal fwd.
(04-05 : \$6750 income less \$5383.07 exp = 1366.93 bal fwd)
- Line 165 - Liberty Day income - variable per district, includes sale of LD Pins plus \$1359.08 bal fwd.
(04-05 : \$2652.83 less \$1293.75 exp = \$1359.08 Bal Fwd.)
- Line 170 - Includes - LCI reimbursement for DG Training + State Convention Profits (2005 -\$675 & \$3831.)
- Line 180 - Bal Fwd \$3380
- Line185 - new item - District Governor's Statewide Advertising project - Est \$1500 per District with matching funds from LCI.

Expenses

- line 200 - Financial Audit by CPA.
- Line 210 (Incl State Sec/Tres Bond of \$103 & State Blanket Bond of \$417.50)
- Line 220 - blanket charge for clerical Svcs by NCLF
- line 230 - \$50 Increase - Office Supplies State Sec.-Treas.
- line 290 - no change - SST did not attend statewide District Installations
- Line 300 - \$300.00 Increase - Est additional expense for non-DG Council Chair.
- Lines 320-330-340-360 - no change - no expenses charged in last 2 yrs
- Line 350 - Plus \$600 - Added April or May session for VDG's plus mileage for presenters.
- line 370 - Plus \$1000 - State Committee Expense- Increasing Lodging allowance to \$50/ night. (2004-05 61 lodging nights = \$915 additional @\$50/night)
- Line 380 - no change - (Expect to purchase Liberty Day Booklets this year).
- Line 400 - no change -\$ 1866.93 Bal Fwd plus \$4500 from Districts should be adequate.
- Line 405 - new item - Lionism newspaper mailings -
- Line 410 - new item - District Governor's Statewide Advertising project
- Line 415 - Misc Exp not budgeted - DG State Conv Program Ad - Press Room Supplies - completion of License plate project.

Line	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
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NCLF Report 08/12/05
By Carlton Metts
President

Camp Dogwood Summer Camp

We are expecting to exceed 850 campers which will be an increase of approximately 200 campers over 2004. The President and Vice Presidents reviewed and approved all counselors for the summer and we feel we have a great group. Past President Harvey Whitley and I were involved with the counselors training sessions with hopes that they would understand what the camp was about and how Lionism played a big part. We feel that some of those counselors will become Lions in the home countries. We had a total of 16 counselors (12 were foreign and 4 were North Carolinians). We had a great group they all work well together and the Campers loved all of them. We feel bringing the Lions in or making the counselors aware of whom they were working for made a big difference. I liked what I saw.

Speakers Bureau

As we all know we have a lot of Lions that do not know what the Foundation is. So, I am asking you as District Governors to provide us 5-10 names of good dedicated Lions that would like to be part of our Speakers Bureau and help us educate all clubs across the state. The Foundation will bring all together at Camp Dogwood for a weekend training session so they will understand how the Foundation functions. We hope that we will be able to get 5-10 good speakers and that would reduce the number of club visits to 5-8 per year. Past President Harvey Whitley will be the Chairman of this group. We feel that this is the most important thing we as a Foundation can do at this point.

Next Dorm

We would like to plant the seed for planning replacement or renovation of the next Dorm. I realize that it is early to start the work because we will need more reserves for that. But it is not too early to begin getting the plans together. We feel we have a good plan for the building with minor changes. The New Dorm will allow us to increase awareness of a conference center during off season, that will help us pay our bills and keep our staff working fulltime.

Wake Forest Eye Clinic & NC Lions Research Project

This project was requested by Wake Forest and approved at the Budget meeting and May Directors meeting. The request was \$230,000 with the hopes of receiving a Matching Grant of \$75,000 from Lions Clubs International. We have at this point \$150,000 in Clinical Eye Research and will have the total by the time all this takes place. We will need a motion to approve the \$75,000 Matching Grant from Lions International.

DATE: August 13, 2005

TO: 2005 – 2006 NC Lions Council Of Governors

FROM: D. C. "Ivy" Iversen, General Chairman, 2005 Lions State Convention

SUBJECT: Final Report, 2005 NC Lions State Convention

The host clubs of North Raleigh, Raleigh Southeast, Apex and Garner, making up your 2005 convention committee, present this final report. The convention was held in Raleigh at the North Raleigh Hilton Hotel and Convention Center on May 26th through 29th, 2005.

The goal of the committee was to provide the Lions of NC an informative, motivating and fun filled convention. From the reaction and remarks of the attendees I feel that we accomplished those goals. We did have one fairly large goof regarding the convention program book that turned out to be a bad news good news situation which I will explain later in this report.

The following is a review of the convention activities:

The convention kicked off on Thursday evening with the International Family dinner. The sitting District Governors inducted the District Governors Elect into their new jobs with some fun and fanfare. Also, PID Sid Scruggs inducted PIP Bill Woolard's daughter, Margaret into Lionism as the newest Lion at the convention.

At 10:00 AM on Friday 34 golfers teed off at the Raleigh Golf Association Course with a new twist. It was a best ball tournament but with each golfer having the opportunity to purchase a special package of mulligans, throws, strings and red tees for \$5.00. This made the games much more interesting and provided for a fun filled 18 holes of golf.

On Friday afternoon the pin traders were open for business and were kept busy trading and discussing the latest hot new pins.

Also, the hospitality suite was in full swing, providing a place for the attendees to relax and have a drink and a bite to eat. I want to thank Lion Laraine Dupree and Lion Barbara Mayes for coordinating that effort. Their idea of having one hospitality suite and having it open longer hours on Friday and Saturday was an excellent approach. We had very good comments about it and it saved you governors money! However, there are a few districts that still owe a small fee (\$40.00) for the rent on the suite. In addition to all of the above activity, various booths were set up in the ballroom lobby area to provide information about Lions activities and projects across NC. Included in this group was the Lions Image which sold Lions products of all kinds. It was well received.

Friday evening brought us the "Young At Heart" Family Fun activities. A great meal was served during which Sybil The Clown kept us entertained as well as all kinds of games at each table. The highlight of the evening was the Sassy Classics, a Rockettes style dance group with all the members being over 55 years old. The evening finished with dancing to the tunes of a great DJ.

An added attraction to this years Fun Night was a silent auction to benefit PID Sid Scruggs candidacy for International Vice President which raised about \$2,800.00.

Saturday started off with the traditional Tail Twisters fun breakfast, raffle and auction. Good food, good fun and good money raised for a good cause. Just a little over \$4,000.00 was raised for humanitarian service.

Following the breakfast the first general session of the convention was called to order. Many reports were presented and much information was passed on to the delegates about projects and programs of Lions across the state.

Saturday afternoon was a very busy time with the Past District Governors Luncheon starting the activities. Tours of downtown Raleigh including a special tour of the State Capitol and free time at the Museum of Natural Science and the NC State Museum of History. A tour of the Governor Morehead School For The Blind was also including in the afternoon schedule.

Other activities included in the afternoon schedule was the pin traders, hospitality suite, information and sales booths, Q & A sessions with the International Officers and special training sessions. All activities went smoothly and were well attended.

The day ended with the District Governors Banquet attended by 425 Lions and guests. The food was excellent and the speaker, International Director, Lion Gary L. Brown was exceptional. Many Lions from across NC were recognized for their exceptional service to Lionism

Sunday morning's Service of Remembrance was well done and very well attended. The credit for the fine service goes to PDG F. James Boehm, the chaplain of last years council and Lion Leonard Wilburn of the convention committee.

Sunday morning continued with the second and final general session being called to order. The session was well attended and came to a conclusion within the time frame allotted. Following the general session, a reception for the District Governors Elect was held under the supervision of Council Chair Lion Jim Stuart's wife, Kally.

As I mentioned at the beginning, we had one really bad situation regarding the Convention Program Book. The bad news is that due to a computer malfunction and poor planning by the Program Book Committee, about 14 Ads were left out of the book.

All clubs, businesses and organizations involved were notified and given the options of making the money paid a donation to the convention or receive a refund.

The good news is that most of them made their Ad fee a donation. More good news! Because the book committee did not manage their time carefully and they did not get information and layouts to the printer in a timely manner, this caused the printer to have to use an older press which uses a less expensive paper in order to get the books to us in time for the convention. The result of all of this was that the cost of the program books was only about 1/3 of the cost we had anticipated!

The Convention Committee designed a special convention pin and we ordered 300. All were sold at a small profit to the convention committee.

Ad sales for the program book were very good. The total sales reached approximately \$20,000.00.

Exhibit #1 shows the attendance by function and by district.

The Convention Committee had their final meeting on July 12, 2005 at the Angus Barn in Raleigh. Dinner was provided the committee members in appreciation for their hard work, dedication and thriftiness in providing a great convention for the Lions of North Carolina. All information and recommendations we have regarding the convention has been turned over to next years convention chairman, PDG David Boyd or your state Secretary/Treasurer, George Ohm.

One last item. Due to the hard work, persistence, thriftiness, dedication and perseverance of the convention committee, we were able to finance a very good convention at a very reasonable cost. If you will note the financial report, exhibit #2, you will note that our income exceeded our costs. I now present you a check in the amount of \$10,000.00 and at the final closing of the bank account there should be an additional check for some additional dollars.

Thank you for letting the Raleigh area host the 2005 Lions State Convention. We hope to have you back in the near future.

2005 LIONS STATE CONVENTION

ATTENDANCE BY FUNCTION

Thursday Night Int'l Family Dinner.....	54
Golf.....	32
Friday Night Family Fun Night.....	279
Tail Twisters Breakfast.....	338
PDG Luncheon.....	115
District Governors Banquet.....	425

ATTENDANCE BY DISTRICT

District	Lions	Guests	Total
A	38	6	44
B	52	4	56
C	19	2	21
D	45	8	53
E	32	6	38
F	58	6	64
G	88	17	105
H	65	6	71
J	47	8	55
13-E	2	0	2
32-A	2	0	2
Florida	1	0	1
Special Guests	0	9	9
Totals	449	63	512

NC LIONS 2005 STATE CONVENTION
 RALEIGH, NC
 MAY 27 - 29, 2005
 BUDGET - ACTUALS as of 07-27-2005

INCOME:			BUDGET		ACTUALS	
STATE COUNCIL (ADVANCE)						
PROGRAM ADS				\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00
FRONT COVER	\$0.00	1	\$0.00		1	NoCharge
INSIDE FRONT COVER	\$750.00	1	\$750.00		1	\$750.00
BACK COVER	\$1,000.00	1	\$1,000.00		1	\$1,000.00
INSIDE BACK COVER	\$750.00	1	\$750.00		1	\$750.00
FULL PAGE	\$300.00	34	\$10,200.00		33	\$8,860.00
HALF PAGE	\$200.00	12	\$2,400.00		22	\$4,235.00
QUARTER PAGE	\$125.00	28	\$3,500.00		25	\$3,012.50
EIGHTH PAGE	\$75.00	28	\$2,100.00		22	\$1,642.50
PATRON	\$25.00	12	\$300.00		8	\$200.00
PROGRAM BOOK				\$21,000.00		\$20,470.00
MEALS:						
FRIDAY FUN NIGHT	\$15.00	375	\$5,625.00		301	\$4,170.00
SATURDAY TAILTWISTER BRKFAST	\$15.00	395	\$5,925.00		337	\$4,730.00
SATURDAY PDG LUNCHEON	\$15.00	95	\$1,425.00		117	\$1,710.00
SATURDAY DG BANQUET	\$25.00	470	\$11,750.00		417	\$9,737.00
SATURDAY DG BANQUET under 12	\$12.50	0	\$0.00		4	\$27.00
TOTAL MEALS:				\$24,725.00		\$20,564.50
TOURS:	\$3.00	0	\$0.00		79	\$237.00
CONVENTION PINS	\$3.00	300	\$900.00			\$821.00
CONVENTION PRESS ROOM	\$50.00	9	\$450.00			\$450.00
HOSPITALITY ROOM (each District contributes)	\$40.00	9	\$360.00		5	\$40.00
GOLF TOURNAMENT	\$0.00	0	\$0.00			\$1,592.00
MISCELLANEOUS				\$1,200.00		\$355.00
DIVIDENDS				\$0.00		\$149.78
TOTAL INCOME:				\$54,635.00		\$50,839.28
EXPENSES:						
MEALS:						
THURSDAY NIGHT	\$28.00	55	\$1,540.00		52	\$1,455.93
FRIDAY FUN NIGHT	\$17.00	410	\$6,970.00		279	\$4,743.07
SATURDAY TAILTWISTER BRKFAST	\$14.00	430	\$6,020.00		338	\$4,731.80
SATURDAY PDG LUNCHEON	\$14.00	130	\$1,820.00		115	\$1,609.94
SATURDAY DG BANQUET	\$28.00	505	\$14,140.00		420	\$11,759.53
SATURDAY DG BANQUET under 12		0	\$0.00		5	\$64.91
SUNDAY RECEPTION		0	\$0.00			\$292.25
TOTAL MEALS:				\$30,490.00		\$24,657.43
TOURS	\$2.00	0	\$0.00			\$98.00
ENTERTAINMENT						
FRIDAY NIGHT				\$2,500.00		\$795.00
SATURDAY NIGHT				\$0.00		\$275.00
VIP ROOMS (see Contract)	\$80.00	20	\$1,600.00			\$288.36
ROOM RESERVATION PENALTY (see Contract)				\$0.00		\$2,100.01
HOSPITALITY (GIFTS, BASKETS, FLOWERS, ETC)				\$2,000.00		\$616.85
BANQUET SUPPLIES (FLAG, etc)				\$400.00		\$318.18
AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT				\$700.00		\$326.40
PROGRAM BOOK (PRINTING, REFUNDS)	\$9.33	750	\$7,000.00			\$2,435.88
PRINTING (EVENT PROGRAMS, etc)				\$450.00		\$478.74
COMMITTEE EXPENSES (Travel, Meals)				\$2,300.00		\$2,228.28
CONVENTION SHIRTS	\$20.00	40	\$800.00			\$0.00
CONVENTION COMMERATIVE PINS		800	\$0.00		800	\$0.75
CONVENTION TRADING PINS	\$1.55	300	\$465.00		300	\$0.95
CONVENTION PRESS ROOM				\$460.00		\$285.00
REGISTRATION MATERIALS (NAME TAGS, BADGE HOLDERS, etc)				\$1,300.00		\$415.79
REGISTRATION EXPENSES (BAD CHECKS, REFUNDS, etc)				\$900.00		\$90.00
BANK FEES				\$75.00		\$10.97
POSTAGE				\$175.00		\$175.46
OFFICE SUPPLIES (Copies)				\$300.00		\$155.12
GOLF TOURNAMENT	\$0.00	0	\$0.00			\$1,429.21
MISCELLANEOUS				\$500.00		\$435.00
TOTAL EXPENSES				\$52,405.00		\$38,214.68
BALANCE				\$2,230.00		\$12,624.60
ACCOUNT BALANCES						
CHECKING						\$342.89
SAVINGS						\$12,281.71
YET to be Deposited						\$0.00
YET to be COLLECTED: MEALS & TOURS						\$0.00
YET to be COLLECTED: PROGRAM Ads						\$0.00

Report
2006 Lions State Convention at Greenville Hilton April 20-23
David C. Boyd Jr., Convention Chair

Thanks for selecting Greenville and the Greenville Hilton as Convention City for 2006. The city of Greenville is excited and will welcome lions throughout the state.

The city of Greenville is a varied one and offers much to visitors.

Plans are proceeding with nearly all committees formed. We are slightly behind schedule at this time. Contracts have been signed with Greenville Hilton and City Bistro. City Bistro will accommodate the overflow. We have many hotels and motels close by.

We have blocked off 244 rooms at the Hilton, with 200 at City Bistro. Hilton room rates are \$79.99 and the City Bistro at \$69.99 –plus tax.

We need to know if the Vice Governors plan to combine their hospitality rooms to one large room or three smaller ones.

At the Hilton, we will have adequate space for meeting rooms and Exhibit space available. Tables for exhibitors are \$10.00 each.

Arrangements for the VIP and International family have been made for Thursday evening.

Menu includes Jack Daniel Rib-Eye with all the trimmings including tea or coffee.

Friday Fun Night will be Western in honor of our International guest from Texas.

I have several ideas on entertainment possible square dancers or country western entertainers. The committee is open for suggestions.

Menu will be barbeque, chicken, green beans, boiled potatoes, bread and choice of desert with tea and coffee at \$15.00.

Saturday Tail Twisters Breakfast include fresh fruit, scramble eggs, bacon, country sausage, toast, biscuits, chef season potatoes and orange juice and coffee at \$15.00.

For the ladies on Saturday, I have made contacts with PCMH Public Relation Staff to provide a tour of PCMH. Pitt County Memorial is recognized as a nationally known Cardiac Center.

For those who prefer to shop, Greenville is a shopper's paradise, with many types of different stores as in large metropolitan cities.

Past District Governors Luncheon will follow after General Session.
Menu: ham/turkey club sandwich/salad/desert/tea/coffee \$13.00.

Governors do you want to plan any seminars Saturday afternoon?

I have contacted the office of ECU Athletics Director. I would like nationally known sports giant Terry Holland to give a motivation speech to we lions. As of today, I haven't received any reply.

I am suggesting that we begin the District Governors Banquet at 6:30 am.

The menu for Saturday Evening includes: Tender Roast Beef
Oven Bake Chicken
Hilton House Salad
Fresh Fruit
Sautéed medley of Mixed Vegetables
Mash Potatoes
A Desert selection
\$25.00

Sunday

Service of Remembrance followed by District meetings and General Sessions
District Governors Reception.

On a regular basis I will email you and keep you updated on the progress of the Convention.

At this point, price will be approximately the same.

Thank you again for selecting Greenville as host of the 2006 NC Lions Convention.

David C. Boyd Jr.
2006 NC Lions Convention Chairperson

**State Promotions
2004-2005**

Thanks to the 2004-2005 Council for allowing me to serve.

This past year is one of the most enjoyable of my lionistic years.

We have been able to able to move out some old merchandise. However we have some 100% cotton shirts remaining.

I will continue to offer my assistance to new Promotion Chair Pdg Pat Roland.

We should continue to offer new items at a reasonable price.

There is more to Promotions than selling clothing and pins. Each one of us is a spokesman for lionism. The best and most effective way to promote lionism is we lions.

Wear that smile and Lions Pin. I believe lionism will continue to flourish.
Thanks to each of you for a great year.

Lion David C. Boyd Jr.
State Promotions Chair 2004-2005

To: NC Lions State Council
From: Gwen White, State Convention Chairman
Re: 2007 State Convention
Date: August 12, 2005

The recommendation is to have the 2007 State Convention in Asheville from May 31-June 3, 2007 with the headquarters hotel to be the Renaissance Asheville Hotel. The room rate will be \$99 plus tax. The proposal received indicates this is more than 40 percent off their already discounted group rate, making for a total concession or sponsorship of \$30,600 in rooms.

With other concessions that they agreed to, it means a total sponsorship of more than \$35,000 for the hotel. "The Asheville Renaissance Hotel is offering a package of concessions far above typical consideration for convention groups. We believe in the service mission of the Lions, and are delighted to also serve our community and the state of North Carolina by working with you to make this event a great success," wrote Jason Nicolai, sales manager.

PDG Joe Silvers agreed to be convention chairman with Larry Gasperson as assistant in charge of finance. They discussed hosting the convention in District 31-A at a district meeting and 40 people signed up and volunteered for jobs.

It has been more than a decade since the Lions took a state convention to the west and it appears the Lions there are excited.

I also met with the Adam's Mark (Marriott and Embassy Suites) in Winston-Salem. They have been pursuing the Lions for several years wanting us to return there. Their proposal for 2007 is for rooms to be \$99 at the Marriott and \$119 at the Embassy Suites with \$6 a day parking. In 2008 rooms would be \$109 and \$129 respectively. I have had no firm discussions with local Lions to see if they were ready to host another convention.

Thus, again – the recommendation for 2007 is Asheville for the weekend May 31-June 3, 2007

**North Carolina Lions Council
Campus Club Report**

August 13, 2005

Governors,

I sincerely apologize for not being able to attend the first council meeting, please accept my regrets. I am currently changing jobs and beginning my orientation and cannot make it to be with you all. I send my best regards and my report for the Campus Clubs and potential Campus Clubs.

Across the state in Districts A through J, steps are being taken to implement new campus Clubs at Colleges. Lion district chairs are preparing and mobilizing at this moment in their pursuit of creating campus clubs at prospective universities and colleges. The academic year for many schools begins at the cusp of the statewide meeting and many districts have nothing to report, save for their plans to actively pursue beginning and prolonging the existence of campus Clubs.

However, specifically in District F , actions and plans are being made at this time to begin campus clubs at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke and at Campbell University. In District E they are waiting to find out the status of the Livingston College Campus Club.

My ambitions for the state this year are to begin at least one campus club in each district statewide and to insure the longevity of the prospective Campus clubs by partnering the clubs with mentoring lions from nearby Lions Clubs. The premise being that the Mentors will be from clubs with mature leadership and from clubs that are fairly successful, so that their habits for longevity and prosperity can be transferred to the emerging club.

Lion Gilbert Abraham
Statewide Campus Club Committee Chair
St. Andrews Campus Club

Diabetes Awareness Committee Report

Diabetes and diabetes awareness are two important items that should concern the Lions of North Carolina. Diabetes is a disease of tremendous health impact affecting 6% of the adult population in the US and significantly contributing to the health care cost. Diabetes is the fifth leading cause of death in NC in 2000 (25.7 per 100,000).

The Lions mission statement is:

“To conduct and support local large-scale efforts leading to the control and treatment of diabetes and its complications through education, prevention, and research.”

We, as Lions, should look at what is happening to the health of fellow North Carolinians. The prevalence of diabetes in the adult population increased 42% from 1995-2000 (4.5% to 6.4 %) approximately 389,000 individuals. The number has now increased to an estimated 584,000 adults in NC, one third (195,000) do not know that they have the disease. Not only do we have an increase in diabetes, but also in increase in the associated diseases such as vision problems, kidney failures, poor circulation leading to amputations, nerve damage, and other similar health problems. As a result of these factors, an individual with diabetes will have direct medical cost of \$7400 per year more than a non-diabetic individual. In 2000, the hospital cost for diabetic in NC was estimated at \$1.8 billion. Vision problems in diabetics are a serious concern in NC. Twenty five (25) % of the people with diabetes have been told by their physician that they have eye problems. (146,000) A major vision problem is Diabetic retinopathy. Diabetes causes about 20,000 new cases of diabetic retinopathy each year. With early detection and the use of laser surgery, the development of severe vision lost can be reduced by an estimated 50 to 60%.

If we as Lions are going to continue to be "The Knights of the Blind" as Helen Keller ask in 1925, we must make our fellow North Carolinians aware of the prevalence of diabetes. We must assist by:

1. Increase awareness of diabetes and its complications,
2. Enhance community bases efforts to reduce the burden of diabetes,
3. Make our communities aware of the increase of modifiable risk factors for the disease such as the lack of exercise, over weight/obesity, and unhealthy diet.

We, in our communities, can join with our local hospitals, local health departments, our local diabetes association and others in conducting diabetes fairs, health fairs, or other community awareness groups.

I have put together a handbook of information of diabetes from numerous web sites and other sources for your district chairmen. This material is a result of guidance of Rose Blackwell of the Henderson County Health Department and Nina Lovem of Pardee Hospital education staff.

William V. Barnwell
State Diabetes Committee Chair

**NORTH CAROLINA STATE COUNCIL MEETING
GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA
AUGUST 13, 2005**

Council Chair Brad, Secretary George, District Governors and fellow Lions:

Thank you Governors, for allowing me to serve the lions of North Carolina as Extension Chairperson this year. Last year we tried to "light a fire" under extension efforts in the state; we were fairly successful. I hope there are some embers left with which to build a fire and get some flames going this year. Surely we can carry over some of the work done last year toward forming new lions clubs into this year and build on it. We surely don't need to just cut off at the end of June and start over in July. That being said, and hopefully having made some progress across the state toward forming new lions clubs that didn't mature last year, we have a good start.

Now, what do we do this year? Our International President has a worldwide goal called a "Plus One Challenge". Part of that "Plus One Challenge" is to have a net gain of one new club per district. That is a great goal in the worldwide picture of Lionism, but in North Carolina, that's not enough. One new club in each district would net us only about 280-300 new members plus the net gain of one member for each existing club would make us barely over 10,000 members and would make us have only three districts with more than 1250 members.

Fellow lions, since we do not have even ONE district over 1250 members, no districts over 50 clubs and our average club membership is under 24 members; that goal of one new club per district is not high enough for a state that is one of the few in the United States with no districts not in transition; our average membership per district is only 1045. I believe the extension goal for the lions of North Carolina should be a net of TWO NEW CLUBS per district.

Now, how are we going to achieve that goal? TEAMWORK, TEAMWORK, TEAMWORK!!! First, the acceptance of this goal and the enthusiasm to make the goal must come from the top; the nine District Governors, and filter down through the nine Vice District Governors, the nine District Extension Chairs, the Region Chairs, the Zone Chairs, the active Past District Governors, the other members of the MERL, MERLO, OR MERLOG teams and the other interested lions in each district who have a "Passion to Grow". With this kind of TEAMWORK, North Carolina can become a stronghold of Lionism and truly live up to our motto "WE SERVE".

Each district needs a plan, a plan outlining the areas where there is a good possibility of a new club and a list of lions with a "Passion to Grow" to work that possibility. This way we can be working on more than one new club at a time in every district across the state of North Carolina. This might be a way to start. Each district can establish it's own plan and work it's own plan.

I believe if we establish this goal, we can meet the challenge. But the big question is, WILL YOU ACCEPT THIS CHALLENGE and DO YOU BELIEVE WE ARE CAPABLE? If you do, then let's all commit ourselves to making it happen.

Let's buy into our International President's Mission 30 team and embrace a "Passion to Grow" through "Plus One (Plus One)" challenge in North Carolina. With this kind of enthusiasm and accomplishments, the Club Diamond Awards, the District Star Awards and the Plus One Awards will be earned throughout the State of North Carolina, and more importantly, the Lions of North Carolina will be reaching out to more people in need with more hands. L-I-O-N-S; Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services.

MD31 State Council Of Governors
August 13, 2005 Council Meeting

Report of the Historian Committee

The number one project of the committee this year is preparing a history of NC Lionism from 1988 to 2006.

The Committee consists of:

D31-A	Clyde Hixon	D31-G	Felix J. Subervi, Jr.
D31-B	Robert B. Lineberger		I. Frank Brooks
D31-C	Farris A. Brantley	D31-H	George Pollock
D31-D	Paul R. Bledsoe	D31-J	J.P. Spenser
D31-E	Dr. Ted L. James		
D31-F	Charles Alexander	Assistants:	Diane B. Whitley Gwen White

Last year the committee made some assignments to gather information. This year we will be asking for information from many Lions Leaders who served in the period of 1988 to present including: PID's, PDG's, Past Foundation Presidents, Past Council Chairpersons, Past Council Secretary-Treasurers, and Foundation Executive Directors.

Each district Chairperson will be responsible for contacting leaders in this respective district. By October 31st, we hope to have enough information to begin assembling the book. Once all of the information is gathered, the Committee will be deciding the type and size of the book. Before publication we want requests for an approximate number of books.

Anyone who has a historic event or information can submit it to your district chairman for consideration.

We want the book to be exciting, knowledgeable and readable.

The next netting of the Historian Committee will be at Camp Dogwood on Dec. 3-4, 2005.

Ted L. James
Chairman

Report to State Council
August 13, 2005

From: PDG Robert W. Moorehead, State Leadership Chair

- 1) The second training session for DGE/Elects is scheduled for December 2-3-4, 2005, and the final session is scheduled for February 23-24-25, 2006. Both sessions will be at Camp Dogwood.
- 2) The districts have sent well qualified individuals to the first session of training. Four of the eight attended the Southeastern Leadership Institute held at Camp Dogwood in April.
- 3) The VDG/DGE elects should consider who their Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer will be as this information should be forwarded to the State Secretary so they can be invited to the training session in February.

To: Council of Governors
Council Secretary/Treasurer

From: John Kearney,
State Liberty Day Chair

Ref: Liberty Day Committee Report

Date: August 13, 2005

First, I would like to thank the council for giving me the opportunity to serve as this year's State Liberty Day Chair. Over the past 2 years we have had a continuous increase in Liberty Day Programs across the state. Due to this increase our supply of Liberty Day Booklets is almost depleted. I have requested and received several quotes from local printers and the best quote was from Harper Prints in Henderson. Harper Prints will print 5000 booklets for \$3000 or 10,000 booklets for \$4000. These prices should save us a couple thousand dollars over previous years. However, though the help of Lion Ron Staley we may be able to get the booklets for free. As you may know Lion Ron works for Wachovia Bank. He has talked with his printing department and thinks they will print the booklets at either no charge or a reduced charge. Unfortunately, we will not know the answer until next week. I am asking the governors to approve the expenditure of \$4000 for the printing of the booklets in hopes that we will not need it.

In December of 2004 congress passed a law that requires ALL educational institutions that receive Federal funds for a fiscal year, to hold an educational program on the United States Constitution on September 17. Having only recently found out about this new law it may be too late for our committee to act this year. However this new law should increase our committee's activities and programs many fold.

The committee will also be selling Liberty Day Pins again this year. In continuing with the theme "Celebrating Freedom" this year's pin will honor the US Marine Corps. The pin will have a red background with the US Marine Corps emblem in the center. My plans are to order 450 pins.

Our committee will be meeting today at 12PM to discuss this year's events and programs. All Lions are welcome to attend.

LCIF/SIGHTFIRST Committee Report
by Diane Whitley to the
North Carolina Council of Governors
City Bistro, Greenville, NC
Saturday, August 13, 2005

Rebuilding in South Asia will not be easy or fast. Political instability is a major problem in many regions. There is a lack of infrastructure such as sewers and roads. Even though these problems existed before the tsunami, the disaster has compounded them.

Here are some recent rebuilding initiatives:

- In a Northern province of Indonesia, local Lions have built 205 wooden homes with two bedrooms and electricity. LCIF is believed to be the first non-governmental organization to follow through with its commitment to rebuild in this region. LCIF is also planning to build a school and is considering an "economic revival" plan to fund fishing boats.
- * A neighboring mayor has been so impressed by the rebuilding by Lions in the North, that he has invited LCIF to help rebuild his tattered city. Indonesian Lions and LCIF will build 150 homes.
- A third Lions Village with 150 homes will be constructed Indonesia.
- * Sri Lanka Lions have 500 homes under construction out of the 3,000 they plan to build. These homes are 550-square feet and most are for fishermen and their families.
- LCIF's most recent disbursement for tsunami relief was for Lions in Thailand to build a Lions village of 80 single-family homes on the devastated islands. These homes will be for fishermen and rubber farmers.

Lions are leaders in their communities, and we will build homes, schools, and orphanages in areas that often are being overlooked by other charities. People will find some measure of solace thanks to the extraordinary generosity and service of Lions.

**Report of Leo Committee
August Meeting – A. Paul Smith, State Chair**

Letters were sent to each District Governor requesting information about the district appointment as Leo Chair. As of July 31, 2005 five districts have responded with the information requested (Districts A, B, C, D, and G). I have heard from a former Leo Chair (H). In the letter to the District Governors I covered what I expected from the appointee for each district – namely, 1) Start new Leo Clubs ~~in the school system~~; 2) Be active with the Leo Mid-Winter meeting, 3) Be active with the Leo State Meeting, 4) Let the Leo Club members operate the club(s), 5) Support the Leo Club through an Advisor with each club, and 6) Other responsibilities as needed, both State wide and within the district.

Two districts have been visited by me and my wife during the installation service (B and C). Also a discussion was had with a district representative about how to get a club started (not in a school system but with an outside organization). School systems have too much already on them.

This same idea was put forth by the offer Leo Chair.

August 13, 2005
A. Paul Smith

**LIONS OF NORTH CAROLINA
MD 31
STATE COUNCIL MEETING
MEMBERSHIP**

It comes as no surprise to any of us that we are not accomplishing individual or DISTRICT goals on recruiting and retaining members.

WHY?

When my Daddy wanted to make a point to me, he first got my attention and then he showed me why a certain thing needed to be done a certain way.

We need to do that with new or prospective Lions. Not in a condescending way but in a way that is instructive and helpful to someone who has not been doing this for the last thirty years.

Next, we need to be adaptive ourselves. We have to have a new younger generation following and leading. We have forgotten what it was like to have youngsters that need our attention more than the "old folks" at the Lions Club. The youngsters are the key to getting the parents attention. Programs need to be developed that cause the "younger" family to be Lion oriented. Sponsor sports teams and other groups that get the attention that we as Lions need and deserve.

Now that you have their attention, keep them busy but always know that their children come first and they are the key to keeping them involved.

**Jack Bryan
Membership Chair**

Nominations

State Council Chairman Brad Logslon, State Secretary Treasurer George Ohms, and District Governors all:

I am honored to serve the state as the state Nominating Chairman.

All nine districts have a Vice District Governor in place for the year 2005-2006.

For the year 2006-2007, I will advise you and keep you informed on all the nominees. I have a resolution from the North Wilkesboro Lions Club in District 31-B nominating Lion James F. Foster for Vice District Governor for the year 2006-2007.

Yours in Lionism,

PDG Allen Deaton,
State Nominating Committee Chair

ORIENTATION REPORT
AUGUST 12, 2005
EDWARD D. SHIVERS III
MD-31 ORIENTATION CHAIRMAN

THANK YOU COUNCIL CHAIR BRAD.

GOOD MORNING GOVERNORS, FELLOW LIONS AND GUESTS.

DISTRICT GOVERNORS AS WE START THIS NEW LIONS YEAR YOU SHOULD INSURE THAT ALL NEW MEMBERS IN YOUR RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS RECEIVE A "NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION". PROVIDING NEW MEMBERS WITH INFORMATION ON OUR HISTORY, ORGANIZATION AND PROGRAM AND SERVICES AT EACH LEVEL OF LIONISM, ESPECIALLY THE LOCAL LEVEL, PROVIDES A FOUNDATION FOR MEMBERS AND HELPS THEM UNDERSTAND HOW THE CLUB FUNCTIONS AND HOW IT TIES IN WITH THE DISTRICT, MULTIPLE DISTRICT AND LIONS INTERNATIONAL. FURTHER.IT WILL PROVIDE THEM WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT THEIR INDIVIDUAL ROLE WILL BE AND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MEMBERSHIP.

A SUCCESSFUL ORIENTATION SHOULD NOT ONLY IMPART INFORMATION, IT SHOULD ALSO INSPIRE AND MOTIVATE NEW LIONS TO BE THE BEST LIONS THEY CAN BE.

CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN THAT EACH CLUB HAVE AN RE-ORIENTATION BRIEFING AT LEAST ONCE DURING THE YEAR. EVEN OLD MEMBERS CAN BENEFIT FROM THIS TYPE OF INFORMATION IN THAT IT IS NOT ONLY A REFRESHER ON LIONISM BUT CAN BE USED TOO KEEP THEM CURRENT ON CHANGES.

WE MUST ALL DO EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN TO GET NEW MEMBERS AND ALSO TO KEEP THE MEMBERS THAT WE HAVE. REMEMBER THAT MEMBERSHIP IS THE LIFELINE OF OUR ORGANIZATION. THE EXTENT OF SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE DEPENDS ON THIS. THANK YOU ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

**REPORT to MD31 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
STATE RETENTION CHAIRPERSON
I.FRANK BROOKS.JR; PDG**

August 13,2005

District Governors,

Retention of members statewide continues to be a major problem for Multiple District- 31 .We continue to lose countless members annually because they lose interest in Lionism, or we lose them to God's divine intervention .We can't control the latter, but we will strive to correct those problems that contribute to our losses by being more vigilant with individual club management. We are going to encourage our Region and Zone Chairpersons to be more involved with the Presidents, Secretaries and Membership Chairs on the club level.

The following figures are based on reports from International and may interest you;

- January 1989 NC Lions totaled 13000+ members
- December 2001 NC Lions totaled 10277 members
- November 2003 NC Lions totaled 9881 members
- July 2005 NC Lions totaled 9460 members

- December 2001 MD-31 had 5 Districts in transition
- July 2005 MD-31 has 7 Districts in transition

As you have heard we are losing more members than we are gaining, and it appears that It isn't over yet! The challenge for this coming year is a very crucial one if we are to turn our membership numbers into positive figures.

The staff at International Headquarters, Imitational President Ashok Metha, International Directors past and present and other Leaders have already begun the discerning and visioning process that we believe will lead us in new and exciting directions for future growth and retention.

Today, I would like to meet ever so briefly with all the District Retention Chairpersons to formally introduce ourselves to each other. I would like to do this after the meeting with PID Sid Scruggs on our Mission 30 Plan. We will surely be encouraged and motivated to Confront those changes needed to maintain and enhance our membership status through involvement with our Mission 30 Team Members.

It is definitely a time of re-dedication and commitment to return the GREAT STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to the status we so much enjoyed only a short time ago. We MUST and WE WILL find a way to promote and provide a healthy retention and major membership growth plan that will enable us to be proud to be a Lion from MD31!

Thank you for allowing me to serve as State Retention Chairperson and for your continuing Efforts to make Multiple District 31 healthy and growth oriented.

Respectfully submitted,

I. Frank Brooks Jr. PDG
State Retention Chairperson



Opportunities for Women

Women's Symposiums

Conducting a women's symposium is an exceptional way to further opportunities for women in your district. It will reinforce your club while simultaneously enrolling dedicated individuals who are willing to serve their community.



This year two grants will be issued in each constitutional area. The symposium grant offers up to US\$2000 to help alleviate program costs. Your participation and input will assist in opening even more doors for women within Lionism as they seek not just to serve but to help lead our association.

Women Chairpersons may apply according to application guidelines and the Rules of Audit outlined in the **Symposium Planning Guide** (MP101). The guide contains complete details regarding the funding aspect of the program as well as a grant application.

Women's Recruitment Award

Any district that shows a net increase of 25 or more women during this Lions fiscal year will be honored for their achievement:

- The district governor will receive the Women's Recruiting Initiative pin.
- The district Women's Membership Development and Participation Chairperson will receive an identical pin.

Role of the Women Chairperson

The Women's Membership Development and Participation Chairperson is responsible for developing new community projects while overseeing the invitation and participation of women in the district. The chairperson provides motivation and support needed to attract new women members into Lions clubs. He or she is appointed by the district governor or council chairperson and serves a three-year term subject to yearly verification.

Women's Membership Development and Participation Chairperson Support

To assign a **Multiple District** or **District level** women's chairperson please download the form and return it to the Membership Programs Department for processing. A form must also be filled out if there is a change in chairpersons in your area.

Newsletter

The current version of the **Women's Newsletter** is available. Please take a moment to read it. Look back to this page for future issues and current updates.

"I am a Lion" Brochure

The "**I am a Lion**" (ME-37) brochure is available to assist in your endeavors to invite more women into Lions clubs. This publication addresses the interests and concerns of potential women members, encouraging them to participate in Lions clubs.

Contact us

For further information on any of the above programs or publications please contact the Membership Programs Department at memberprog@lionsclubs.org or by phone at 630-571-5466 ext. 390.

Committee: Lions Youth Outreach

Chairman: PDG Stewart Wooten (31-D)

The Lions Youth Outreach Committee's mission is to provide each of the districts in North Carolina with knowledge on all the programs available for children which will help and challenge youth to learn, to achieve and to serve.

The Lions Youth Outreach District Committee will encourage clubs in District 31 to promote the following programs:

- Youth Outreach
- Lions Quest
- Lions Opportunities for Youth
- Youth Exchange
- Lions Peace Poster Contest
- Leo Clubs
- Lions Services for Children
- Youth Leaders in Service Awards
- Lions Young Ambassadors Awards
- William L. Woolard Educational Grant
- Vision Van School Screenings
- Special Olympics Opening Eyes Screening
- Youth Partnerships

We, as a committee, must begin by setting goals. In order to set goals we must evaluate the effectiveness of current club, district, and multiple district-level youth outreach projects. Therefore, each District Governor or Lions Outreach Chairman should complete a survey to determine projects that clubs in their district are involved in to promote youth outreach.

Please complete the enclosed survey and return to PDG Stewart Wooten at 1348 Henley Drive, Asheboro, NC, 27205 by February 1, 2006. The District Committee will use this information to complete a project plan.

I encourage Lions at the club level and district level to use resources available through LCIF to evaluate their current youth activities. As Gabriela Mistral in her poem TODAY says, "To them (the children) we cannot answer, "Tomorrow." Their name is "Today".

Lions Youth Outreach

Please check each youth activity that your District is currently supporting and briefly describe what you are doing.

Youth Outreach

Lions Quest

Lions Opportunities for Youth

Youth Exchange

Lions Peace Poster Contest

Leo Clubs

Lions Services for Children

Youth Leader In Service Awards

_____ Lions Young Ambassadors Awards

_____ William L. Woolard Educational Grant

_____ Vision Van School Screenings

_____ Special Olympics Opening Eyes Screening

_____ Youth Partnerships

Lions Clubs international
MD31 YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM 04/05

August 13, 2005

I would like to thank the past district Governors for the past three years for letting me serve as youth exchange chair for the youth exchange. We have a good program in North Carolina and I hope it will continue to grow. This year we had three students from North Carolina in the program, one went to Italy, one to Austria and one to Denmark.

Our camp started out in Asheboro with going to the zoo on Sunday. Monday we met PDG Frank Brooks in Raleigh he showed us a good time, we met with Raleigh Host Lions Club for lunch, went to the Raleigh Host Clinic for the blind. Museum of History, Museum of Science and stayed at NC State University for the night. We had breakfast in their cafeteria the next morning. Then we went to Lake Gaston for two days at PDG Monroe Gardner's place. Thanks to the Warrenton Lions for all the meals and to PCC Jim Shuart for the use of his Jet Ski and the pontoon boat.

On Thursday we had lunch with the Smithfield Lions and shopped at the outlet mall. We had dinner with Wilson Luncheon Lions Club and spent the night with the Wilson Lions. On Friday morning we met Gwen White who had a beachfront house for us on the outer banks. We stayed for three days, dinner with the First Flight Lions Club, visited the Wright's Brothers Museum, Percussion Concert at Roanoke Island Park, The Lost Colony dinner with the Manteo Lions, The Manteo Lions had a cook out for us with a Black Hawk Helicopter flying by to give us a hello. We stopped to Rave lunch with the Columbia Lions with Lion Rhett White giving us a tour of the town. We stopped in Bath to see the oldest Church in North Carolina, and then we met with the two clubs in New Bern, New Bern Lions and New Bern Twin River Lions Club. We went to the drug store where Pepsi Cola was started to get some presents for home. Then to Wilmington, Sherry Johnson worked hard planning things for us to do and that was when it was so hot. We had a great time there seeing a ball game and where Dawson Creek was filmed.

On Thursday we stopped at the Boys and Girls Home for a great tour and lunch. That night we arrived in Sanford to spend two nights. On Thursday we had dinner with the Sanford Lions with Bill Thompson as guest speaker, he gave each student one of his autographed books. (Sweet Tea, Fried Chicken and Lazy Dogs) We had a tour of the Coke plant, pottery, Railroad Depot, brick plant and had doughnuts at Sandy's Bakery in Sanford.

On Saturday we packed up and went to the Greensboro Airport for the long trip home with a lot of wet eyes and sad faces, the boys said they hated to leave because all the people here are so friendly and happy. We traveled nearly 2100 miles.

Thanks to all the clubs that hosted us and helped with money to make this year a very good camp.

Thanks:

Past Youth Exchange Chairperson

Lion Paulette Gasperson