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

Holiday Inn Crabtree
Raleigh, North Carolina

Saturday, November 8, 2003
9:00 AM

Council Chairperson Diane B. Whitley called the November Meeting of the 2003-2004 North Carolina State Council to order.

District Governor Roy Jernigan gave the Invocation and District Governor David C. Boyd led the pledge of allegiance. CC Whitley welcomed all Lions and Guests to the meeting.

For the record, the Council met in caucus on Friday evening, November 7, 2003. All of the nine District Governors were in attendance. The following Governors were in attendance for the Saturday morning meeting:

DG Sidney G. Harbison	31-A	DG Roy Jernigan	D31-F
DG Warren N. Miller	31-B	DG I. Frank Brooks, Jr.	31-G
DG A. Paul Smith	31-C	DG David C Boyd, Jr.	31-H
DG Johnny Stuart	31-D	DG David L. Rhodes	31-J
DG Diane B. Whitley	31-E		

The following Vice District Governors were present.

VDG Pat Roland	31-A	VDG Fred Plummer	31-E
VDG Joyce Keels	31-B	VDG James C. Stuart	31-G
VDG Gene Everett	31-D	VDG F. James Boehm	31-J

PID Sid Scruggs reported on the North American Summit regarding Lionism in North America. He stated that we were in trouble in North America, with both Canada and the United States losing members faster than we can recruit. Australia has now surpassed Canada in membership. The Impact teams have not stemmed the tide. The emphasis this year will be to strengthen the MERLO Teams. We must consider redistricting since our membership has dropped below 9900 Lions making all nine districts in transition. The average club size in MD31 is 24.8 members while surrounding states enjoy much higher numbers. Dr. Lee emphasizes recruitment of women as a move to increase membership. Women make up 53% of the population but only 13% of lions membership. Entrance fees are dropped for women applying for membership though June 30, 2004. The advantages are manifold since women are making strides in corporate management, and we should also make use of their skills in Lionism. The proposed move to disband clubs of 10 members or less was determined to be unconstitutional.

PID Sid proposed a **Resolution to Endorse PID Jimmy Ross, of Texas, for the office of 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International.** DG David Boyd made the motion for the Council of Governors of MD31 to endorse PID Jimmy Ross for the office of 2nd Vice President, seconded by DG Sid Harbison.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

PID Sid reported on the status of **Past President Bill Woolard**, asking that all Lions send cards of encouragement. CC Whitley reported that **VDG Alan King, D31-F**, also had surgery and was unable to attend the Council Meeting.

CC Whitley reported that **South Eastern Guide Dogs** had to retract their invitation of a paid visit in January to their facility in Palmetto FL, due to a budget shortfall. It was hoped that they would still be able to extend the invitation at some later date, during this Lionistic year.

DG Warren Miller made a motion to accept the Minutes of the August 9th Council Meeting; seconded by DG Roy Jernigan. Motion Passed

CC Whitley called on PCC John B. Wall, 2002-2003 State Secretary-Treasurer, to present the **Audited 2002-2003 State Council Final Financial Report**. The auditor stated that all finances are in order and that the tax forms were properly filled out and mailed. **DG Roy Jernigan moved that the audited Financial Report be accepted; seconded by DG Warren Miller. Motion Passed.** (See attachment "A").

CC Whitley called on SST Ohm to present the **November 5, 2003 Financial Report**. SST Ohm presented the report and explained the notes on income and expenses. **DG Frank Brooks moved to accept the November Financial Report; seconded by DG David Boyd. Motion Passed.** (See attachment "B")

CC Whitley noted that the Council had not approved the payment of expenses to send the MERLO team to attend training at the USA/Canada Forum. **DG Sid Harbison moved to approve the payment of expenses of the MERLO Team members that attended the training at the USA/Canada Forum; seconded by DG Frank Brooks. Motion passed.**

SST Ohm reported on the status of the **South Eastern Leadership Institute** that will be held at Camp Dogwood on April 22-29,2004. The present institute led by PDG Beverly Roberts, Georgia, will provide all curriculum and instructors. Plans are to invite Emerging and Senior Lions from surrounding states to attend the Institute. Invitations will be sent to all District Governors in January, to select candidates to attend. LCI will pay one half of the cost of the institute with the remainder paid by MD31 as the host Council.

CC Whitley called on SST Ohm to read a Resolution to Endorse PID Sid L. Scruggs III, for the office of 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International. **DG Frank Brooks made the motion that the Council of Governors of MD31 endorses PID Sid L. Scruggs III for the high office of 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International; seconded by DG David Boyd. Motion Passed Unanimously.** (See attachment "C")

Following the vote, PID Sid thanked the Council for their support, and advised that he has formed an election committee with two representatives in each district. He cautioned however, that any campaigning must be limited to within the state for the time being. He has also assured LCI that if he were asked to delay or step down, North Carolina had a candidate for Director if so desired by LCI.

NCLF President John J. O'Malley reported that they are working on the plans for the VIP Sensory Garden and it should be finished in time for the 2004 camping season. Pavers are still needed and are being ordered in groups of 100 each. A new brochure listing all of the service programs of the Foundation is available from Camp Dogwood. This brochure can be used to inform Lions and non-lions alike of what Lions in North Carolina are doing. Architectural drawings are being drawn up prior to asking for bids to replace the current Belk dorm with a new 14-room building. Construction should take 9 to 12 months.

(See attachment "D")

Executive Director Steve Walker advised of the dedication of the NC Lions Diabetic Eye Care Center at UNC on Sunday at 2:00 PM. He distributed to the Governors a brochure written by Sandy Lazenby detailing the 2003 camping season at Camp Dogwood. PID Scruggs suggested that this brochure be added to the NCLF Website for all Lions to Download. The report is quite lengthy and contains many color photographs, which will slow downloading. If Districts or Clubs desire multiple copies they should call Camp Dogwood.

PDG John Miller III, Board Member of the NC Commission for the Blind, reported that PID Ron Huber was appointed to another 3-year term as Chairman of Public Information Committee for the Commission. PID Ron has sent information to each Governor to add to District Newsletters to introduce the Commission for the Blind to the grass roots Lions. PDG Miller advised that the VIT Education Program at NC Central University, the only facility to teach VIP Teachers, which was floundering, is now near fully staffed and the program tenured. He read a letter from John Deluca, stating that he was leaving his post as Director of Division of Services for the Blind, and expressed his appreciation for the friendships formed with the Council of Governors, the Foundation, and the Lions of North Carolina during his 10-year tenure.

2004 State Convention Chair PDG Brad Logsdon reported plans for the 2004 Convention that will be held in Fayetteville, NC on March 4-7, 2004 at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux. The Lions of District 31-F are working hard to put on a great convention.

Planned activities include an International Night on Thursday, when we will host our **Convention Speaker, International President T.S. Lee** and his wife, Haing-Ja from Seoul, Republic of Korea. An authentic Korean dance group comprised of local talent will perform. A Golf Tournament is planned for Friday morning. Friday Fun Night will include a Parade of International Flags with background music, and entertainment from a bluegrass group, a juggler, and the 82nd Airborne Chorus. No meal is planned, however an ice cream dessert bar will be available. Saturday will include the Tail Twister's Breakfast and Auction and the Liberty Day celebration at the Airborne Museum. Weather permitting, The Golden Knights Parachute Team has been asked to parachute onto the courtyard of the Museum and deliver the colors for the Convention. The District Governor's Banquet will complete the Saturday events. The Sunday program will open with the Service Of Remembrance, followed by a reception to greet the newly Elected District Governors afterward.

Chairman Brad expressed a concern that there may be an expense over run for the convention. It was suggested that the Tail twisters Breakfast and Auction be split between convention expenses and White Cane. After considerable discussion it was decided that these proceeds should go only towards programs and services, and not to subsidize the convention.

DG Paul Smith moved that the proceeds of the Tail Twisters Breakfast and Auction be used for White Cane; seconded by DG Roy Jernigan.

Motion Passed.

Chair Logsdon reported that the committee decided not to purchase a Specialty Christmas Ornament for the convention.

Chair Logsdon stated that planned Liberty Day Program will incur extra expenses over previous years, including rental of chairs, an additional security guard and transportation. He has asked individual Districts to help with additional funds and requested an additional \$1000 from the Council for the Liberty Day Fund. **DG Roy Jernigan moved that the Council transfer an additional \$1000 to the Liberty Day Fund to provide for the extra expense for Liberty Day at the State Convention; seconded by DG Sid Harbison.**

Motion Approved

Chair Logsdon has photos of all District Governors and the International Family for the Convention Program, however he asked VDG photos as soon as possible. Programs will go to the printers January 1st.

He described a convention pin that will be included in each registrant's packet along with the State Trading Pin. The pin is designed with crossed American and South Korean Flags with the Lions Logo and MD31 -2004. A limited edition 2004 Convention Patch will also be available.

Names of Deceased Lions for each district must be submitted at the February meeting for the Service of Remembrance. Governors should also bring their banners to the February meeting.

DG Harbison moved and DG Miller seconded to approve the 2004 State Convention plans to date.
Motion approved. (See attachment "E")

DG David Boyd moved to charge a fee of \$150 for each exhibitor that will want tables or space at the convention; seconded by DG Frank Brooks.
Motion approved

PDG James Sasser, Statewide Convention Committee Chair, reported for D.C. "Ivey" Iverson, that plans are continuing for the 2005 State Convention to be held at the North Raleigh Hilton Hotel, May 26-29, 2005. The hotel contract has already been signed, with room rates at \$69.00 per night.
(See attachment "F")

Convention Chair Sasser again stated on the difficulty in finding sites for 2006 Convention. DG's David Boyd and David L. Rhoads commented that they would try to have a proposal from the Hilton Hotel in Greenville by the next meeting in February.
(See attachment "G")

CC Whitley recessed the meeting for a 10-minute break.

CC Whitley resumed the meeting and called for reports from Statewide Committee Chairs. The following Reports were given and are attachments to these minutes.

Boys and Girls Home Chair PCC Earl L. Davis (See attachment "H")

PDG Martha Butler reported on D31-A's activities for Elida Homes. In 1969 they built a Lions Cottage at Elida Homes, and since 1982 they have raised over \$800,000 from their annual auction. In 2000 the cottage was renovated with matching funds from LCIF and has been certified as a level 4 care facility for mentally and physically disabled children.

Extension Committee Chair PDG Hamilton Slate (See attachment "I")

Historian Committee Chair PDG Herb Justice reported that the History Committee decided to continue with silent auctions of Jack Stickley memorabilia at District conventions, with over \$500 being raised at 31-B& 31-C conventions. Lion Justice presented a check for \$287.00 from D31-C's auction to be used for Jack Stickley Fellowships from the Council.
(See attachment "J")

Information Technology Chair Carlton Metts, III (See attachment "K")

LCIF/Sight First PCC Billy Gene Herring (See attachment "L")

MERLO Team

Leadership Development Chair PDG Bob Moorehead stated that two training sessions have been scheduled for VDG's at Camp Dogwood. Letters will be sent to all VDG's announcing the December 5-7 session, a second session will be held in February. Training is also scheduled for VDGE's on May 14-15, 2004.
(See Attachment "M")

Membership Committee Chair PDG Butch Coley reported that as of September, MD31 - North Carolina has shrunk to 396 clubs with a membership of 9851 indicating that all nine districts are essentially in transition. We are losing more members than we gain. For this current year we have added 169 members, but have dropped 221 with a net loss of 52. 1. He stressed that the VDG's who are charged to chair the district MERLO teams should call regular meetings of the teams in the districts. 2. He stressed using the tools supplied by International are indeed not being used at the club level. 3. We must innovation to approach each district's unique nature to grow our clubs; no single method will work in every instance.

Chair Coley recommended that the Vice Chairman of the Council be appointed as the chairman of the MERLO Team. **DG Sid Harbison moved to name Vice Chairman DG David Boyd as the Chairman of the MERLO team, seconded by DG Frank Brooks.**

Motion Approved.

Retention Committee Chair Jim Caudle indicated very little cooperation from district MERLO teams. He feels that this inactivity is hampering our efforts to stem the tide of drops. He suggested that each MERLO team be given the LCRI, Alabama Plan, a power point program to use. (See attachment "N")

Orientation Committee PCC Ed Shivers, III (See attachment "O")

CC Whitley proposed to have a state training session for MERLO Team members, both state and district, if possible this year, or perhaps early in the next summer for next year's MERLO team. PDG Coley suggested that training schedules be set up for groups of say three districts to minimize travel and optimize attendance of club team members. PID Scruggs suggested that each District should have a CD of the power point program for MERLO Training distributed at the USA/Canada Forum. He promised to mail out copies to those who didn't get a copy. CC Whitley charged the MERLO Team to develop recommendations.

Leo Clubs Lion Diane Shear (see attachment "P")

Liberty Day Chair Lion John M. Kearney (See attachment "Q")

Promotions Committee Chair PDG J. Clarence Williford deferred his report to the Promotions Meeting immediately following the Council Meeting.

Youth Outreach Chair PDG Jim Irvin commented that the duties of the committee for Youth Outreach are not readily defined. He noted that Lions Quest was probably the largest program of Youth Outreach in Lionism. He reviewed some of our past experiences with Quest and noted that Lions Clubs International is emphasizing Quest for educating children on drugs and substance abuse. Lion Diane Shearer commented the superiority of Quest over the more popular SAD & MAD programs in use in most school districts. Chair Irvin quoted a new pricing schedule for Quest materials that may make the program more attractive. He noted that the Council has four direct interacting programs with youth: Leo clubs, Peace Posters, Quest, and Youth Exchange.

Women's Membership Development and Participation PDG Martha Butler (See attachment "R")

Council Chair Position (Ad Hoc) Chair PDG Brad Logsdon reported that after studying 52 Multiple Districts in North America, the consensus of the committee was not to change the current policy of MD31. The current policy allows the District Governors the Option to select a Chairperson from either their Council or a Past District Governor. (See Attachment "S")

Investment Committee member DG David Boyd reported the actions of NCLF Investments Committee, which met on Friday, Nov. 7th. The Committee voted to remain with the current portfolio managers.

They decided to move \$200,000 from the cash account to the Allegiance Capital Managed Account. The investment portfolio is balanced at 60% stocks and 40% fixed income.

DG Roy Jernigan moved and DG Frank Brooks seconded to accept the Committee Reports as given. Motion approved.

2004 Convention Chair PDG Brad Logsdon reported Ad sales of \$6324, which qualifies the committee for the additional \$2000 payment from the Council. SST Ohm presented the check to Chairman Logsdon.

CC Whitley stated that the Council of Governors would discontinue the Governor's Challenge awards as they duplicate the International President's Growth Plan awards for membership recruitment.

CC Whitley discussed continuing the practice of inviting the Council Chairman from MD31 - South Carolina and his spouse to our State Convention and asked for a motion to that effect.

DG Frank Brooks moved to invite the Council Chairman and Spouse and pay their expenses to the State Convention in Fayetteville; Seconded by DG Sid Harbison. Motion approved.

PDG Jim Caudle stated that the entire SC Council will attend and hold their Council meeting at the District 31-A Fall Convention in Ashville.

CC Whitley asked all of the VDG's to decide upon and list their convention locations and dates for the 2004-2005 Lionistic year.

CC Whitley noted that she had received a request from Colorado Lions for a copy of the MD31 Constitution and By-Laws. **DG David Boyd moved and DG Warren Miller seconded a motion to send a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws to Colorado Lions. Motion approved.**

CC Whitley mentioned that the Council had not come to a conclusion regarding a proposal to blend one district into three existing districts as a stepwise move towards redistricting. **DG Warren Miller moved that the Council forward the proposal to the Long Range Planning Committee for study; seconded by DG Roy Jernigan. Motion approved.**

The next Council Meeting will be held in Fayetteville at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux on February 7 & 8, 2004.

CC Whitley expressed the thanks to the Governors and spouses for manning the hospitality room during this session.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

George D. Ohm, PDG
State Secretary-Treasurer

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November 4, 2003

The Council of Governors
Multiple District 31
Lions International – North Carolina
Walkertown, NC 27051

Gentlemen:

I have compiled the accompanying statement of cash receipts and disbursements of Multiple District 31 Lions International – North Carolina for the year ended June 30, 2003.

The accompanying financial statement has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting. Under that basis, the only asset recognized is cash, and no liabilities are recognized. All transactions are recognized as either cash receipts or disbursements, and noncash transactions are not recorded. The cash basis differs from generally accepted accounting principles primarily because account receivable from customers, inventory, fixed assets, accounts payables to vendors, and long-term debt are not included in the financial statements.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures ordinarily included in a financial statement prepared on the cash basis of accounting. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statement, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Company's cash receipts and disbursements. Accordingly, this financial statement is not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying statement of cash receipts and disbursements and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on it.

Respectfully,



Robert E. Reid, CPA

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MULTIPLE DISTRICT 31-NC
NORTH CAROLINA STATE COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS – CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

Receipts	Actual	Budget	Over (Under)
Funds from Prior year	35958.06	35958.06	0.00
State Dues	25281.50	25430.50	(149.00)
Interest-Checking	1218.53	400.00	818.53
Vendor Space rental	450.00	450.00	0.00
State Convention			
Tailtwister- Tickets & Auction	4404.00	1000.00	3404.00
State Convention			
Youth Exchange – Restricted	1941.00	0.00	1941.00
Liberty Day	1019.00		1019.00
Youth Activities	400.00		400.00
NC Lions Breakfast Tickets	1185.00		1185.00
Liberty Day Pin Sales	228.00		228.00
TN Lions	810.00		810.00
Silent Auction	1220.00		1220.00
Re imbursement-2002 NC State Conv.	168.75		168.75
Council TT Funds	33.00		33.00
2003 State Convention Refunds	7003.55		7003.55
2003 Trading <u>Cards</u> <i>PINS</i>	18.00		18.00
Re-imburement – Coat Crest	<u>17.50</u>		<u>17.50</u>
 Total Receipts	 <u>81355.89</u>	 <u>63238.56</u>	 <u>18117.33</u>
 Schedule of Disbursements	 <u>49662.04</u>	 <u>63238.56</u>	 <u>13576.52</u>
 <u>Net Receipts over Disbursements</u>	 <u>31693.85</u>	 <u>0.00</u>	 <u>31693.85</u>

SCHEDULE FUND BALANCES

YOUTH EXCHANGE RESTRICTED FUNDS

Funds Fwd. F/Y End 6-30-2002	2825.28	
Receipts 2002-2003	2941.00	
Disbursements	<u>(3776.23)</u>	
Net Youth Exchange Fund 6-30-2003		\$ 1990.05
Net Funds-Unrestricted 6-30-2003		<u>\$ 29703.80</u>
<u>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE 6-30-2003</u>		<u>\$ 31693.85</u>
Lexington State Bank – Checking Acct. 6-30-2003		<u>\$ 31693.85</u>
<u>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE 6-30-2003</u>		<u>\$ 31693.85</u>

**North Carolina State Council
Financial Statement
November 5, 2003**

INCOME:	Budget	11/5/03	Line Item
Funds from prior years (see Note 1)	31,893.85	32,099.63	100
State Dues per member (\$2.50 x 9903 as of 6/30/03)**	24,757.50	12,378.75	110
Interest Received	40.00		120
Vendor space rental at 2003 State Convention	450.00		130
Tailorwister's ticket sale and auction (at the State Conv.)	2,000.00		140
NC Breakfast - International Convention (see note 5)	1,800.00	345.00	150
Youth Exchange Funds restricted current year	-	200.00	160
Misc. Income not Budgeted (see note 3)	-	378.73	170
Total Income	60,541.35	46,408.11	

EXPENSES:			
Financial Audit	350.00		200
Treasurer's Bond	103.00	103.00	210
Clerical Services - NCLF	600.00	600.00	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	300.00	118.71	230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	449.40	240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	80.23	250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)	200.00		260
Plaques and Gifts	1,000.00		270
State Council Meetings	250.00		280
Expenses - State Secretary / Treasurer	4,000.00	1,327.22	290
Expenses - State Council Chair	5,000.00	714.02	300
2004 State Convention - cash advance (see note 2)	6,000.00	4,000.00	310
NC Breakfast - International Convention	1,800.00		320
Extension Committee	1,000.00		330
Leadership Committee	2,500.00		340
Membership Committee	1,000.00		350
State Council Committee Expenses	9,000.00	1473.28	360
Liberty Day	1,000.00		370
Leo Clubs Expenses	1,000.00		380
Youth Exchange Committee (from Council Funds) (note 6)	500.00	2,658.88	390
Misc Expenses not budgeted (see Note 4)	-	417.50	400
Total Expenses	38,483.00	11,948.04	
Cash (Check Book Balance)	24,138.35	33,480.07	
Total	60,541.35	46,408.11	

Note 1: Includes \$1,980.95 for Youth Exchange restricted Funds.

Note 2: \$4,000 advance (Conv. Comm. must sell at least \$6,000 worth of ads to receive the additional \$2,000)

Note 3: Line Item 170 includes \$73 from DSI-H for Liberty Day plus District Secretary/Treasurer Bonds of \$43.39 each for seven districts.

Note 4: Statewide Bond for District Cabinet Sec/Treas. = \$417.50 (\$46.39 per district)

Note 5: Includes NC breakfast tickets for Denver. Carried forward due to Bank acct close out 6/30/03.

Note 6: Line Item 390, 2003 camping cost paid with \$1980.05 Bal Fund, plus \$678.63 from General Fund per Council approval 6/20/03.

RESOLUTION OF ENDORSEMENT

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 200 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 Raleigh, North Carolina this 8th day of November, 2003, 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.

David Butler, PDG
Chair, Resolutions Committee
MD31 – North Carolina

Diane B. Whitley
Council Chairperson
MD31 – North Carolina

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**NCLF President's Report
To
N.C. Lions Council Of Governors**

November 9, 2003

District Governors, Past International Officers, Vice District Governors, Fellow Lions. At the moment all is well in the world of Lionism in N.C., with the exception of the damage done to coastal areas by Isabel and I know the District Governors are on top of those problems.

The VIP Sensory Garden should be ready for the next camping season, we must order the pavers in groups of 100 and we have orders for about 250 at this time.

At the end of October we took delivery of our new Brochure listing the "Service Programs of the North Carolina Lions Foundation". This brochure outlines with a brief description the services we provide thru our WHITE CANE drive each year. We have plenty of these brochures available to pass out to Lions or Non-Lions so be sure to contact the Foundation Office to get what you need for distribution.

As you know we are planning to demolish the current Belk Building and replace it with a 14 room Building as approved by our Board of Directors and the Lions of North Carolina. We are currently waiting for working plans from our architect then we will put the job out for bid, which should take 30 days. Next we will review the bids and select the builder and then meet with him to go over the construction schedule (which should take from 9 to 12 months). As a result we will not have the use of the Belk Building facilities for next camping season.

In January we will have a joint meeting of the Volunteers and Properties Committees at Camp Dogwood. At this time they will determine what projects will be scheduled for clean-up week. Clean-Up week at Camp Dogwood will be held April 6 thru 8, 2004. Work on projects will take place Tuesday, April 6th, Wednesday, April 7th, and Thursday, April 8th. Volunteers may arrive on Monday afternoon April 5th, Friday April 9th will be used to complete any work left and all Volunteers must check out Friday afternoon. Meals will be served beginning with Dinner on Monday and ending with lunch on Friday.

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2004 North Carolina Lions State Convention

The 81st Multiple District 31 State Convention

Holiday Inn Bordeaux, Fayetteville, North Carolina

March 4 – 7, 2004

November 8, 2003

The Lions of District 31-F are continuing their efforts to make this 81st Annual Convention the BEST in history. We have requested information from Lions Clubs International on Dr. Lee's and Haing-Ja's likes and dislikes, in an effort to provide him all the comforts and need they require. We have arranged for limo service, as necessary for Dr. Lee. I have been in contact with the Republic of Korean Embassy to obtain their flag.

Review and update:

- **Friday, Golf outing will be held at Gates Four Golf and Country Club, 6 miles from the Holiday Inn Bordeaux (10 minutes). The price per player will be \$45.00 including golf, cart, lunch, refreshments on golf course and prizes. Chaired by Lion Gary Deitemeyer of the Pinehurst Lions Club.**
- **Friday Fun Night, (*No Meal Served*) "You Make America Proud" as our theme for the Variety Show: Parade of Flags of the 200 countries, Tody Johnson will emcee, Korean Dance Group, Bluegrass, (82nd Airborne Chorus?) we hope. Ice Cream Bar will be available during the evening.**
- **Registration will continue until 10:00 PM.**
- **Saturday Tail Twisters Breakfast & Auction – Please, urge all the clubs to bring auction items (with value) and door prize items.**
- **We will have NO seminars.**
- **Saturday - - -**
 - **1:00 PM – 4:00 PM, Pottery demonstration and display**
 - **2:00 PM – LIBERTY DAY at the Airborne & Special Operations Museum. Transportation available \$2.00, handled by the Massey Hill Lions Club. Need to set up 250 chairs, rental will be necessary, Massey Hill will set up. Need to pay for a security guard during our program time.**
- **Sunday - - - Service of Remembrance, will need names at the February meeting. Lion Roy, we will need to set program.**

- **Convention patches have been ordered, available to purchase at \$3.00 each.**
- **Plan to have Johnson City ties, etc. available.**
- **Christmas ornaments will NOT be available, minimum order 288.**
- **The sale of advertising has been going SLOW, \$4,825.00 plus \$4,000.00 advance, to date, hope to receive more this weekend, PLEASE.**
- **REMEMBER District Banner, will be hung Saturday evening.**
- **Menus will be set by the February meeting, PRICES ARE FIRM.**

Respectful submitted,
W. Brad Logsdon, PDG
Convention Chair

2004 Official Program

Holiday Inn Bordeaux
Fayetteville, North Carolina
March 4 - 7, 2004

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THURSDAY, March 4, 2004

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Registration Expo Lobby
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Dinner for State Council, International Family
and District Governors-Elect Orleans

FRIDAY, March 5, 2004

8:30 AM - ~~11:00~~^{10:00} PM Registration Expo Lobby
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM North Carolina State Council Meeting Orleans
Presiding Council Chair Diane B. Whitley, DG 31-E
10:00 AM Golf Tournament (Gates Four Golf and Country Club) Lion Gary Deitemeyer, Chair
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Pin Trading Chateau
7:00 ~~6:30~~ PM - 10:00 PM Friday Fun Night Versailles/Orleans
Entertainment (You Make America Proud) Variety Show

SATURDAY, March 6, 2004

7:30 AM - 6:00 PM Registration Expo Lobby
7:45 AM - 9:30 AM Tail Twister / Key Members Breakfast Versailles/Orleans
Presiding Governor A. Paul Smith, 31-C
Featuring Tail Twisters (Lions, Lioness, Leos and Guests are welcome)

9:45 AM - 11:45 AM **General Convention Session (First Session)**
Call to Order and Introduction of Presiding Officer.. W. Brad Logsdon, PDG, Convention Chair
Presiding Council Chair Diane B. Whitley, DG 31-E
Invocation Governor Roy Jernigan, 31- F
Pledge of Allegiance led by Governor David L. Rhodes, 31-J
Convention Singing led by W. Monroe Gardner, PDG
Introduction of Fayetteville Mayor W. Brad Logsdon, PDG, Convention Chair
Welcome Mayor Marshall Pitta?
Response Past International Director Sid L. Scruggs
Appointment of Parliamentarian Council Chair Diane B. Whitley, DG 31-E
Report of the Rules Committee Chair?
Presentation of International Officers
and Past International Officers. State Secretary / Treasurer George D. Ohm, PDG
Remarks International President Dr. Tae-Sup Lee
Presentation of the Second Presiding Officer Council Chair Diane B. Whitley, DG 31-E
Presiding Governor Sidney G. Harbison, 31-A
Report of State Council Council Chair Diane B. Whitley, DG 31-E
Report of the Membership Committee Butch Coley, PDG, Chair
Report of the Extension Committee Hamilton A. Slate, PDG, Chair
Report of the Retention Committee Jim Caudle, PDG, Chair
Report of the Orientation Committee Edward D. Shivers, III, PCC, Chair
Report of the Leadership Development Committee Bob Moorehead, PDG, Chair
Presentation of the Third Presiding Officer Governor Sidney G. Harbison, 31-A
Presiding Governor Warren N. Miller, 31-B
Report of the NC Lions Promotions Committee J. Clarence Williford, PDG, Chair
Report of the NC Pin Traders Association ~~Williford~~, President?
Report of the Boys & Girls Homes Committee Earl L. Davis, PCC, Chair
Report of the LCIF / Sightfirst Committee Billy Gene Herring, PCC, Chair
Report of the Youth Exchange Committee Lion Paulette Gasperson, Chair
Presentation of the Fourth Presiding Officer Governor Warren N. Miller, 31-B
Presiding Governor Johnny Stuart, 31-D
Report of the Youth Outreach Committee James M. Irvin, PDG, Chair
Report of the Leo Committee Lion Diane Shear, Chair
Report of the Historian Committee Herbert A. Justice, PDG, Chair
Report of the North Carolina Lions Foundation John J. O'Malley, PDG, President
Lion Steve L. Walker, Executive Director
Report of the Humanitarian / White Cane Committee John B. Wall, PCC, Chair
Presentation of the Fifth Presiding Officer Governor Johnny Stuart, 31-D
Presiding Governor I. Frank Brooks, 31-G
Report of the State Convention Committee James H. Sesser, PCC, Chair
Report of the Research & Long Range Planning Committee David Shimberg, PDG, Chair
Report of the Information Technology Lion Carlton Metts, II, Chair
Report of the Liberty Day Committee Lion John M. Kearney, Chair
Preliminary Report of the Credentials Committee Chair?
Motion to Approve Committee Reports
Announcements W. Brad Logsdon, PDG, Convention Chair
Adjournment of the First Session

2004 Official Program (continued)

Saturday, March 6, 2004

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM Certification of Delegates and Alternates..... ?

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM Past District Governors' Luncheon..... **Marseille**
 Presiding..... Charles W. "Woody" Huggins, PDG, President?

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Pottery Demonstration **Chateau**

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Liberty Day **Airborne & Special Operations Museum**

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Hospitality Room Open **Expo**
 Pin Trading..... **Chateau**

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM District Governors' Banquet..... **Grand Ballroom**
 Master of Ceremonies Council Chair Diane B. Whitley, DG 31-E
 Invocation Governor Roy Jernigan, 31- F
 Pledge of Allegiance..... Governor David C. Boyd, 31-H

Dinner and Entertainment

Introduction of District Governors, Candidates for District Governor
 and the International Family..... **State Secretary / Treasurer George D. Ohm, PDG,**
 Introduction of Honored Guest **Past International Director Sid L. Scruggs, III**
 Address **International President Dr. Tae-Sup Lee**
 Presentations **Council Chair Diane B. Whitley, DG 31-E**
 Announcements **W. Brad Logsdon, PDG, Convention Chair**
 Benediction **Governor Roy Jernigan, 31- F**

SUNDAY, March 7, 2004

8:00 AM - 9:45 AM Registration **Expo Lobby**

8:45 AM - 9:45 AM Certification of Delegates / Alternates..... ?

8:45 AM - 9:45 AM Service of Remembrance..... **Versailles**
 Presiding..... Governor Roy Jernigan, 31- F

10:00 AM - 10:45 AM District Meetings
 31-A..... **Orleans**
 31-B..... **Wellingtons**
 31-C..... **Orleans**
 31-D..... **Orleans**
 31-E..... **Rivera**
 31-F..... **Palais**
 31-G..... **Expo**
 31-H..... **Chateau**
 31-J..... **Orleans**

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM General Convention Session (Second Session)..... **Versailles**
 Presiding..... Governor David C. Boyd, 31-H
 Invocation..... Governor Roy Jernigan, 31- F
 Pledge of Allegiance led by..... Governor Johnny Stuart, 31-D
 Convention Singing led by..... W. Monroe Gardner, PDG
 Remarks..... International President Dr. Tae-Sup Lee
 Report of the Election Committee Larry F. Gasperson, PDG, Chair
 Report of the Resolutions Committee , Chair?
 Presentation of the Second Presiding Officer..... Governor David C. Boyd, 31-H
 Presiding Governor David L. Rhodes, 31-J
 Report of the Attendance Committee..... , Chair?
 Final Report of the Credentials Committee , Chair?
 Report of the State Constitution & By-Laws Ronald F. Kelly, PDG, Chair
 Any Other Reports
 Motion for Approval of Reports
 Presentation of the District Governors-Elect, Vice District Governors-Elect (2003-04)
 and Spouses..... District Governors
 Announcements..... W. Brad Logsdon, PDG, Convention Chair
 Adjournment of the 2004 NC Lions State Convention Business Sessions.

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM District Governors-Elect Reception..... **Marseille**
 All Lions, Lionesses, Leos and guests are welcome

REGISTRATION FORM

2004 North Carolina Lions State Convention

March 5 - 7, 2004, Holiday Inn Bordeaux

1709 Owen Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28304

Registration Deadline: February 26, 2004

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Friday, March 5

10:00 am Golf Tournament, Gates Four Golf & Country Club

6:30 pm Parade of Countries, Fun Night Variety Show, Ice Cream Bar

Saturday, March 6

7:30 - 9:30 am Tail Twisters/Key Members Breakfast and Auction

12:00 - 1:30 pm Past District Governors Luncheon

2:00 - 4:00 pm Liberty Day, Airborne & Special Operations Museum

7:00 - 9:30 pm District Governors Banquet

*All activities at the Holiday Inn Bordeaux.
Liberty Day, at the Airborne & Special Operations Museum
100 Bragg Boulevard, Fayetteville (Downtown)*

Name Lion/Guest	Club	District	Honors
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Fun Night <small>Circle</small>	Tail Twisters Breakfast	PDG Lunch	Liberty Day	<u>MJF-JSF-WLW</u> DG Banquet
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TICKET ORDER SUMMARY

Golf Tournament	_____ players @ \$45.00	=	\$ _____	
Fun Night	_____ tickets (no charge)		\$ free	
Tail Twisters Breakfast	_____ tickets @ \$10.00 each	=	\$ _____	
Past District Governors Lunch	_____ tickets @ \$12.00 each	=	\$ _____	
Liberty Day	_____ tickets (no charge)		\$ free	
Liberty Day - Transportation	_____ tickets @ \$2.00	=	\$ _____	
District Governors Banquet	_____ tickets @ \$25.00 each	=	\$ _____	

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Any questions or concerns please contact:

W. Brad Logsdon, PDG

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2004 STATE CONVENTION GOLF OUTTING



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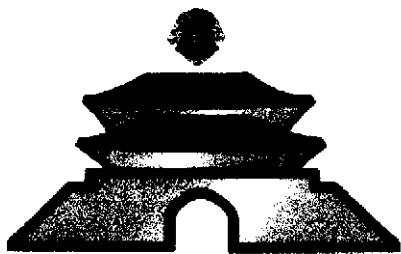
Fee \$45.00

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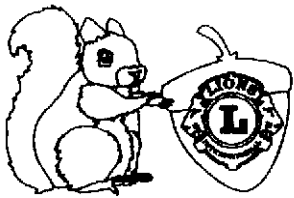
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North Raleigh Lions Club

DATE: November 7, 2003

TO: NC State Council Of Governors, Diane B. Whitley,
Council Chair

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

SUBJECT: 2005 Lions State Convention Update

The 2005 Convention Committee is moving forward with the plans for the convention. At this time there is not a great deal to report. Committees have been established to cover all aspects of the convention and several meetings have been held to work on the basic structure of the convention and familiarize each member of the committee as to their responsibilities.

As previously reported, the dates will be May 26th thru May 29th, 2005. A contract has been signed with the North Raleigh Hilton Hotel and Convention Center to host the convention. The hotel has extensive experience, excellent facilities and a great location for our convention. Since the dates are over the Memorial Day holidays, we are working towards making this a vacation opportunity for Lions and their families. The hotel has agreed to extend their convention room rates before and after the convention. This will allow Lions to enjoy the many historical and cultural opportunities of Raleigh and the surrounding area as part of their convention experience.

Are there any questions at this time?

Thank you for your time and we are looking forward to a great convention in 2005!

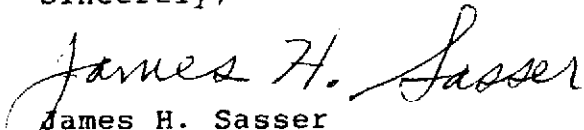
STATE CONVENTION CHAIR REPORT
RALEIGH
NOVEMBER 7, 2003

The State Convention Committee has been very active this year. The agenda for future conventions is as follows:

2004 Fayetteville - March 5-7
2005 Raleigh - May 27-29

Prospects for the 2006 Convention, at this time, are non-existent. We had hoped to have a proposal from Asheville tonight, but due to sponsorship difficulties and potential costs, there will be no presentation. The Committee will look for other sites for 2006 and report back to the Council at a future date.

Sincerely,


James H. Sasser
Committee Chair

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Boys and Girls Homes Committee Report
PCC Earl L. Davis

The District Chairs for Boys and Girls Homes held their first meeting on Saturday, October 11, 2003 at the Lions Cottage at Boys and Girls Homes. Three of nine Districts were represented, district F., G., H. Lunch was enjoyed with the boys and their Teaching Parents, Lane and Sherry Wilkins.

The group met after lunch, with Larry Hewitt, Civic Club Development Officer. Informational packets were given to those in attendance. Packets were also mailed to those who were not able to attend. We were reminded that in nearly 50 years the Home has served 3,000 young people, including the past chairman of the Board of Directors,

Once again, Larry requested an invitation to all District Conventions as well as to the cabinet meetings. This will give him the opportunity to present awards to clubs who earned them. Please remind your club that it is important to note the name of the club on checks when donations are made to the BGH. It was stressed that clubs should continue to strive to meet their governor's goals, It is important also to stress the Coleman Cates Award.

Only 72 youth can be served under the current residential program at the Home. The needs far exceed the Homes' ability to serve this population. Today, 135 children are

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being served through the Foster Care program. The need for this program will continue to grow. Foster parents are urgently needed to be recruited and trained. The Emergency Care Center is now in progress and will be able to serve 20 people at one time. The center is operating at 85% capacity in all programs.

Fund raising ideas were discussed and will be taken to the various districts. Ideas for a statewide fundraiser are still being explored.

Our contributions are running behind last year's at this time. Your Chairman will receive a printout soon as to how your district has done.

Everyone involved at Boys and Girls Homes were saddened recently by the death of Vice President for Finance, Jeffrey W. Spivey. Jeff, as he was known around campus, was employed at the home since October 1, 1983. He was killed in an automobile accident as he traveled home from work on October 3, 2003. He was a graduate of University of South Carolina/Coastal Carolina with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting. He formerly served in the U.S. Air Force in Okinawa. He was a member of Beulah Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon and Sunday School Teacher. In addition to his work as chief finance officer for Boys and Girls Homes, Jeff will be remembered for his participation in various Civic Clubs. Memorials may be made to Boys and Girls Homes.

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Boys and Girls Homes learned recently that Vice President for Resource Development, Allan "Al" J. Martin would be leaving the Homes in a career advancement move. Al was recently honored as a five year employee, having come to the homes in 1998 from Cleveland, Ohio, where he worked in various marketing positions. In charge of development for the Homes, Al frequently worked with civic clubs to encourage their support for the work of the Homes. Al enjoyed hosting different Lions groups when they came on campus to visit the Lions Cottage.

As a haven for young men, the Lions Cottage continues to play an important part for those who come to the Homes due to family concerns. Lets do our part to support the needs of the cottage. It is a privilege to share in the goal to make a difference in the lives of the eight young men who live there.

Thank you for the privilege to serve.

Lion Earl L Davis

November 6, 2003

State Extension Committee Chairman's report to MD31, NC Council of Governors

The first few months of this new Lion Year for this chairman have been spent looking for ways to generate excitement about new club development. We all know that expansion is a must if we are going to serve those in need. But we also know that forming a new club requires a lot of hard work. If we consider how hard it is to ask one person to join our club, the task of asking twenty to join a new club seems to be astronomical. However I don't happen to think so.

I will be sending out to each district chairman shortly, information with my plan for club extension. It is my hope that they will work towards forming a new club of some type before our first year ends.

I wish to thank the council for letting me serve and for their confidence in my ability to get the job done.

Submitted by,

Hamilton Slate, PDG
Extension Chairman

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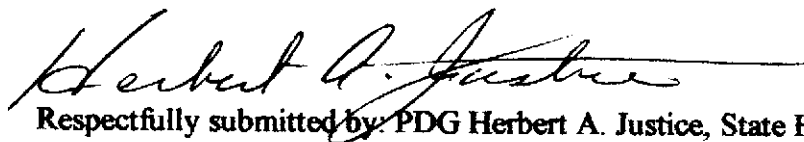
**HISTORY COMMITTEE REPORT FOR STATE COUNCIL
HOLIDAY INN CRABTREE, RALEIGH, NC
NOVEMBER 8, 2003**

The History Committee met at Camp Dogwood on Sunday, September 28, 2003. In attendance were Lion Dr. Jerry Bates, PDG from District E, Lion PDG Robert Lineberger from District B, Lion PDG Wayne Roberts from District C and Lion Paul Bledsoe from District D. The representatives from Districts F and J had previous commitments. Those present discussed the continuation of the Silent Auction and expanding it to the Fall and Midwinter Conventions. The members then discussed the placement of the photographs of the Past International Directors from North Carolina. The Committee agreed with the recommendation of the Properties Committee to hang the photographs on the wall opposite the curio cabinets. Since the photographs are not framed, the committee directed Chairman Justice to locate frames that would be suitable for the use decided on and suitable to PID Sid Scruggs. The frames selected are to be at least as nice as those used for the Past Presidents of the North Carolina Lions Foundation. There was also a discussion concerning the next History Book. It was felt that this committee should start gathering the necessary information since it is now some 15 years since the last History Book was published. Lion Bledsoe is to draft a list of items that will be needed. When this is finalized, the council will be asked to help secure these items.

The committee then adjourned to prepare for the Silent Auctions proposed for Districts B, C and A Fall Conventions as well as Districts GH&J, and E Midwinter Conventions and the State Convention. The committee agreed to a least two two-day work sessions during the year. The next meeting of the committee will be on Saturday and Sunday December 13 and 14, 2003.

Since the committee met, we have held a silent auction at the District B and C Fall Conventions and will hold one at the District A Fall Convention. The auctions appear to have been well received by Districts B & C with proceeds so far nearing \$500.00.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the Chair of this committee.



Respectfully submitted by: PDG Herbert A. Justice, State Historian

Information Technology Report
November 8, 2003

The state website has been turned over to me by Lion Leonard Wilburn. I also, would like to thank Lion Leonard for the hard work that he had done starting this committee from the ground floor. The preliminary reports on projects from the district committee members are working with clubs in setting up websites, we have had one LionWap seminar at a district convention with possibly another before the state convention. All districts are maintaining websites and posting their newsletters on the internet for all to view.

Currently in the State we have 115 Lion Clubs on the Internet. That is approximately 35% of all clubs in the state. The most coming out of District E which has 41 clubs out of 46 having websites. The districts having 15 or less clubs on the internet. I want to continue Lion Leonard's goal to have all clubs on the internet with webpage. My goal this year is to have 60% of all clubs in the state to have a website.

The Information Technology committee will be having a meeting this afternoon, to review and update each other on activities in their district. We will also be brainstorming on possible changes to the state website and ways to help out the clubs using technology.

Submitted Respectfully,



Lion Carlton (Carl) V. Metts, II
Statewide Information Technology Chair

The International Association of Lions Clubs

(Lions Clubs International)



District 31-H, North Carolina, U.S.A.
Billy G. Herring
Past District Governor
109 Baker Drive
Pikeville, North Carolina 27863-9691
(919) 242-6217

NC STATE COUNCIL MEETING LCIF/SIGHT FIRST CHAIRMAN'S REPORT November 8, 2003

Total Multiple District 31 contributions for the first quarter, Fiscal Year 2003-2004 were \$3,342.17. When compared to last year, this represents a very good start for MD 31. However, we must remember that total contributions for last year were 30 percent below that of the previous year.

First quarter contribution were:

District 31-A	\$ 0.00	District 31-B	70.00
District 31- C	7.37	District 31- D	914.80
District 31- E	2,050.00	District 31- F	0.00
District 31- G	200.00	District 31- H	100.00
District 31- J	0.00		

During the 4th quarter of last year the following grants were issued:

District 31-B	Lenoir	\$10,000 for a habitat home.
District 31 F	Battle Creek	8,268 for a habitat home
District 31-B		19,600 Medical Mission to Bolivia

Immediately following Hurricane Isabel emergency grants in the amount of \$10,000 each were approved for District 31-H & District 31-J. Funds from the two grants were used to provide for the immediate needs of those residents requiring such things as food, clothing, medicine, and mattresses.

Please remember that Lions Clubs in North Carolina are in a partnership with LCIF. It is through our support that humanitarian projects are carried out, not only here at home, but worldwide. LCIF has been generous to North Carolina. Let us now be generous to LCIF.

Respectfully submitted,

Billy G. Herring,
Chairman, MD31 LCIF/Sight First Committee

Report to State Council
November 8, 2003

From: Robert Moorehead, P.D.G.
State Leadership Chair

- 1) I attended training for members of Multiple District M.E.R.L team members September 15-17, 2003 in Portland Oregon, (which was prior to the USA/Canada Forum.)
- 2) Two training sessions have been scheduled for Governor-Elects at Camp Dogwood, December 5-7, 2003, and February 27-29, 2004. Training has also been scheduled for VDG-Elects, on May 14& 15, 2004. With the passage of the dues increase in July, I hope there are funds available this year for reimbursement of expenses, For one session of each.

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STATE RETENTION CHAIRPERSON
JIM CAUDLE, PDG
REPORT TO MD 31 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
NOVEMBER 8, 2003
HOLIDAY INN, CRABTREE VALLEY, RALEIGH, NC

Council, I want to thank you for allowing me to serve in this position. Even though I was not your first choice I will give you my best effort in improving the retention of our membership.

I want to emphasize that the DISTRICT MERLO TEAMS are not all functioning as they should be and are therefore hindering the improvement of our efforts to change the trend of losing members due to drops.

Since September I have attempted to contact all nine district retention chairs through e-mail and letters with little success. All nine have e-mails and I have asked for replies or comments to information I have sent them. I have only received replies from four retention chairs; B, C, G, & J.

I have asked them to contact the clubs in their district to arrange visitations for a program. I emphasize calling the clubs for a quicker response, letters are often ignored. I requested the time and dates of their MERLO TEAM meetings so I could visit them but have received none. I have asked them to become more involved. I have sent them information on material available from LCI on the President's Retention Campaign. A list of this material is at the end of this report. I have emphasized the importance of retention and that they should remind the clubs of the Redistricting possibility if we continue losing members. I have sent the current CUMULATIVE REPORTS ON MEMBERSHIP to inform them of our membership standing. I have asked for a report prior to this meeting on visitations to clubs. I have asked them for current drop status in their districts.

The following are the reports for the nine districts:

- A; Lion Larry Van Der Vliet, no report (Phone call/28/10/03 for information on drops. DG did not have it available)
- B; Lion Dennis Alcock,, PDG; (e-mail 10/22/03) - attached
- C. Lion Phyllis Bibbeck, (e-mail (10/14/03) -attached
- D. Lion Doc Shaver, PDG, no report
- E. Lion Wilson, no report
- F. Lion William E. Whiteman, no report
- G. Lion Robert M. Ward, e-mail (e-mail 11/2/03) -attached
- H. Lion David Leonard, no report
- J. Lion Tim Land, no report

We started this Lions' Year with 9,903 members after dropping 288 last year. Only two districts were in the positive category; A & J. The other seven had a loss in members. At the end of July this year our membership was at 9,873. Only one district showed an increase; H. When August ended our membership stood at 9,868 with only three districts showing increases; E, H, & J.

The report for September *9851 down 52 -*

VISION:

BY THE YEAR 2006 THE MULTIPLY DISTRICT RETENTION TEAM WILL REDUCE DROPS BY 10% ANNUALLY, FOLLOWING A PROGRAM DESIGNED BY OUR MD RETENTION CHAIR TO INCLUDE RETENTION SKILLS. THIS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY TRAINING VDGS, ZONE CHAIRS, CLUB PRESIDENTS, AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES. WE WILL INSURE THE CONTINUITY OF CLUBS AND SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITIES

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I am recommending that the Council see that all MERLO TEAMS become active and that arrangements be made for MERLO training be held for all district MERLO teams. The training will be done by the State MERLO TEAM.

I am also recommending that each Governor look at the activities of your retention chair and if the chair has not been doing his/her job or is giving you a line of BS that you fire them and get someone that wants to work not just hold a title. I would also like to have each district chairperson receive a copy of the LCRI (ALABAMA PLAN) created by PCC Judge Bill Filmore. I have one copy and it may be copied. I have permission to use it.

The following suggestion I am going to give now on Leadership qualities I learned from the Mayor of Portland, Oregon, Vera Katz:

1. Create and focus on a vision
2. Teach and practice values important to your organization. Walk your talk.
3. Have and create a sense of urgency.
4. Have and create high expectations.
5. Take risks and protect risk takers.
6. Push authority and decision-making forward.
7. Change direction when things are not working.
8. Know your benchmark. Measure your outcomes. Search for best practices.
9. Develop the kind of initiatives that motivate entrepreneurial behavior.
10. Have a thick skin. Be able to withstand criticism.
11. Especially if you do all the above, have a sense of humor.

It is an honor for me to serve our cause of Lionism.

Jim Caudle, PDG
State Retention Chair

- “Focus on Meetings” (PRC-3 EN 7-01)
- “Focus on Club Dynamics” (PRC-4 EN 7-01)
- “Focus on Involvement” (PRC-5 EN 7-01)
- “President’s Retention Campaign” (PRC-1 7-02 EN)

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From: dennis alcock <jdalcock@yahoo.com>
To: "jimcl@planetusa.net" <jimcl@planetusa.net>
Date: Wednesday, October 22, 2003 5:15 PM
Subject: REPORT from District B

Jim

Because of a family medical emergency in Miami Daphne and must leave now, it is not know how long we will be gone.
Only a short report from me, Cannot complete form
I am in the process of collecting the clubs rosters and putting it on computer disc, It is needed if we can ever get to retaining and is needed for the recovery of those Lions already DROPPED so far I have 30% of the District done but it will pay off soon
yours Dennis

REPORT FROM DISTRICT C

From: taylor ribbeck <tribbeck@hotmail.com>
To: <jimcl@planetusa.net>
Date: Tuesday, October 14, 2003 6:35 PM
Subject: REtention Reports

Dear Jim,

Sorry it has taken so long for me to get back to you. I have had an upper respiratory infection since August and I'm just now getting over it. I have read all the information you sent on Retention. I have attended the Mt. Holly and the Gastonia Evening meetings with the District Governor .I talked about the importance of Retention ,but I have not had a program on Retention only. I have also spoken to the Stanley Club. We have not had a MERLO meeting yet. Talk more to you later,have to go to a meeting.

Thanks,
Phyllis Ribbeck

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Dear Lions Jim:

Attached is the report on Retention that I will give to the 31-G Cabinet meeting. You have as recent figures as I from Lions International on the membership status of the district, i.e., new members, members dropped, etc.

Bob Ward

Report to District 31-G Cabinet
Graham, NC
November 2, 2003

District Governor Brooks and Lion Leaders of District 31-G:

The figures for our district look good so far this year as far as retention goes. We have a small gain year to date, but we must continue to strive for growth by getting new members and by retaining those we have. We will accomplish this growth by having each and every club in District 31-G to continue to get all Lions members involved in meaningful activities, make them feel a part of their club, and recognize each member for accomplishments.

Proper recruiting of new members and a meaningful induction are the foundation for retention. Interesting programs are important. Making members an active part of a club are vital. Recognizing members for their achievement is a must.

Most members who drop out do so from a loss of interest. Before dropping any Lion from the club roster, I encourage each club secretary or president to contact their Zone Chairman for guidance prior to dropping any member other than for death or transfer.

I have met with four of the six zone meetings during which we discussed how to retain members through involvement. I will meet with the other two zones in the future and am available to meet with any club upon request.

On October 22, District Governor Frank, Leadership Chairman Lee Harvey, Region Chair Max Cotton and I met with the Graham Lions Club to help them resolve serious membership problems in the club.

Yours in Lionism,

Bob Ward, PDG
Retention Chairman

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REPORT FROM DISTRICT J

From: Tim Land <tland@bbnp.com>
Organization: Bits, Bytes and Pieces Internet Service
To: JIM CAUDLE <jimcl@planetusa.net>
Date: Saturday, August 30, 2003 7:52 PM
Subject: Re: STATECHAIR

Jim,

At present I have just presented one program on Retention. That is at the Nags Head Lions Club. The message seemed to go over well. Time will tell.

The info on dropped members will have to come from the DG of District J. I will stay in touch with him and relay info to you. I will ask the Clubs to discuss drops with me--BUT do not see a way to tell them not to drop withoutmy consent.

Will be in touch---Tim

Sept 003

Dist	State/Country	Total Clubs	New Clubs	Dropped Clubs	Reorg Clubs	Home Quo Clubs	Charter Members	New Members	Returned Members	Transfer Members	Total Member Added	Total Member	Total Member	Total Member	Total Member	Notes
26A1	MISSOURI	41	0	0	0	1	1	18	5	1	24	43	9	1,392	-19	
26A2	MISSOURI	36	0	0	0	1	1	18	1	1	20	32	32	1,007	-12	
26B	MISSOURI	38	0	0	0	0	0	23	2	0	23	39	39	1,611	-34	
26C	MISSOURI	44	0	0	0	0	0	14	4	3	21	16	16	1,181	-15	
26D	MISSOURI	32	0	0	0	0	0	29	2	1	32	25	25	1,111	7	
26E	MISSOURI	35	0	0	0	1	1	23	5	18	46	34	15	953	23	
26F	MISSOURI	48	0	0	0	0	0	48	2	0	50	29	29	1,163	-4	
26G	MISSOURI	39	0	0	0	1	1	71	3	4	78	33	9	1,955	45	
26H	MISSOURI	32	0	0	0	0	0	25	5	1	31	33	9	964	-2	
26I	MISSOURI	41	0	0	0	0	0	25	3	1	29	27	27	1,236	2	
26J	MISSOURI	34	0	0	0	4	0	33	2	0	35	41	41	1,008	-15	
TOTALS:		420	0	0	0	4	0	393	34	30	557	382	65	12,711	-25	
27A1	WISCONSIN	57	0	0	0	0	0	45	2	2	49	57	57	2,147	8	
27A2	WISCONSIN	54	0	0	0	0	0	27	2	1	30	45	45	1,961	-15	
27B1	WISCONSIN	79	0	0	0	0	0	31	1	2	34	63	63	2,313	-21	
27B2	WISCONSIN	71	0	0	0	0	0	29	4	1	34	47	47	2,814	-13	
27C1	WISCONSIN	60	0	0	0	0	0	29	4	4	37	34	34	1,821	-1	
27C2	WISCONSIN	51	0	0	0	0	0	19	3	3	25	33	33	1,814	-36	
27D1	WISCONSIN	37	0	0	0	0	0	44	1	5	50	61	61	2,497	4	
27D2	WISCONSIN	50	0	0	0	0	0	26	1	2	29	30	30	1,960	-4	
27E1	WISCONSIN	37	0	0	0	0	0	34	1	2	37	45	45	2,101	-3	
27E2	WISCONSIN	53	0	0	0	0	0	21	1	2	24	39	39	2,069	-15	
27E3	WISCONSIN	299	0	0	0	0	0	16	15	23	54	78	78	21,607	-126	
TOTALS:		47	0	0	0	1	0	14	2	0	16	28	28	1,132	-12	
28U	UTAH	47	0	0	0	0	0	14	2	0	16	28	28	1,132	-12	
28T	UTAH	47	0	0	0	0	0	14	2	0	16	28	28	1,132	-12	
TOTALS:		94	0	0	0	1	0	28	2	0	30	53	53	2,008	-23	
29L	WEST VIRGINIA	61	0	0	0	1	1	34	3	0	37	43	43	1,643	-16	
29I	WEST VIRGINIA	43	0	0	0	0	0	37	2	0	39	48	48	1,957	9	
29O	WEST VIRGINIA	37	0	0	0	3	0	24	2	0	26	19	10	1,289	7	
29N	WEST VIRGINIA	42	0	0	0	2	0	14	2	2	18	10	12	1,076	6	
TOTALS:		223	0	0	0	6	0	99	7	2	108	120	22	5,945	-12	
30L	MISSISSIPPI	42	0	0	0	0	0	19	2	0	21	17	17	885	4	
30I	MISSISSIPPI	36	0	0	0	1	0	16	1	0	17	29	29	1,213	-15	
30O	MISSISSIPPI	40	0	0	0	1	0	13	1	1	15	24	24	887	9	
30N	MISSISSIPPI	40	0	0	0	2	0	23	1	3	27	38	38	1,897	-11	
TOTALS:		158	0	0	0	2	0	71	4	4	79	108	8	4,102	-29	
31A	NORTH CAROLINA	30	0	0	0	0	0	31	2	0	33	31	31	1,227	2	
31B	NORTH CAROLINA	40	0	0	0	0	0	14	1	1	16	40	40	929	-24	
31C	NORTH CAROLINA	38	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	3	11	10	820	-6	
31D	NORTH CAROLINA	46	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	9	20	9	1,353	-9	
31E	NORTH CAROLINA	47	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	1	28	21	21	1,189	7	
31F	NORTH CAROLINA	52	0	0	0	2	0	38	1	1	40	38	39	1,227	-18	
31G	NORTH CAROLINA	40	0	0	0	0	0	30	3	0	33	33	33	1,253	0	
31H	NORTH CAROLINA	43	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	10	10	10	963	0	
31I	NORTH CAROLINA	43	0	0	0	3	0	11	1	1	13	17	17	1,010	-4	
TOTALS:		396	0	0	0	3	0	155	6	8	169	223	39	9,851	-52	
32A	SOUTH CAROLINA	42	0	0	0	0	0	10	3	4	17	32	32	1,417	-15	
32B	SOUTH CAROLINA	42	0	0	0	4	0	26	14	14	46	43	32	1,164	-3	
32C	SOUTH CAROLINA	42	0	0	0	0	0	14	1	0	15	30	30	1,244	-3	
32D	SOUTH CAROLINA	45	0	0	0	0	0	23	3	3	29	23	23	1,431	-7	
TOTALS:		169	0	0	0	4	0	73	4	21	98	138	32	5,266	-60	
33Y	MASSACHUSETTS	41	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	8	22	22	1,308	-14	
33A	MASSACHUSETTS	46	0	0	0	2	0	32	1	1	33	25	21	1,577	8	
33N	MASSACHUSETTS	55	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	3	6	42	42	1,788	-56	
33K	MASSACHUSETTS	48	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	10	47	47	1,010	-37	
33S	MASSACHUSETTS	38	0	0	0	1	0	12	4	1	17	31	31	2,280	-34	
TOTALS:		251	0	0	0	3	0	65	4	5	74	187	31	8,923	-113	
34L	ALABAMA	37	0	0	0	0	0	10	1	1	12	31	31	964	-19	
34I	ALABAMA	37	0	0	0	0	0	16	2	1	19	40	40	944	-21	
34O	ALABAMA	38	0	0	0	1	0	19	2	1	21	23	23	1,008	-4	

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ORIENTATION REPORT
NOVEMBER 8, 2003
EDWARD D. SHIVERS III, PCC, CHAIRMAN

I still need the names and addresses of District Orientation Chairs from four districts. I would appreciate the Governors of these districts appointing a Chairperson and providing me the name, with contact information.

I have contacted the known Chairs welcoming them on board and requested their thoughts and ideas on what they think should be the visions and goals of this committee. Additionally, provide a plan to reach these goals.

They were informed that we need to insure that all new members receive an Orientation Briefing, to be provided either by the club or the district. Further, I requested that each District Orientation Chair make every effort to present a program to all clubs in their respective districts. By so doing we can insure that each club's members receive a briefing, whether it be for a new member or a refresher for old members.

I am presently compiling all the information that I can which is relevant for an Orientation Briefing in an attempt to provide as much information as possible in one location. Upon completion, a copy will be provided to each Orientation Chairperson to use as they desire.

With all the emphasis that is being placed on membership I stressed the need that we ensure that all members of the MERLO Team work together. In addition, the Chairperson for Women's Membership Development/Participation should be included.

Thank you, are there any Questions?

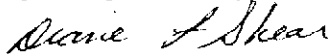
North Carolina Leo Clubs
305 Sterling Rd.
Jacksonville, NC 28546

From: Statewide Leo Chair
To: Council of Governors

Subj: North Carolina Leo Program

1. Our Leo clubs are growing and showing strength in membership. We have had some loss due to lack of support from the schools they were chartered in; the recommendation to re-form a community club in a church or community center was suggested. Several of the middle school clubs have been approved to form high school clubs in their area. This gives middle school students an easy transition from one club to the other.
2. I will be scheduling a NC Leo Leadership Forum. This is a program that will be for District Leo Chairs, Leo Advisors, and Leo Club Officers. My intention is to better inform our Leo Leadership team on what is needed to transition Leos to Lions in our state. Our first forum was a great success in Sept of 2002 and we hope to make it a yearly event. The date will be sometime in January, possibly in conjunction with a Lions Convention.
3. Our state president, Leo Jacob Beach, out of District A, will be publishing a quarterly bulletin, the first to be handed out today. This bulletin will be distributed to all DGs, Dist Leo Chairs, and all Leo Clubs throughout the state. This is another way of getting the word out to those that need to know. If a club has not done a yearly update with Lions International I will not have a good address for them, this is where I need the help of Dist Gov's and Dist Leo Chairs.
4. The Leo Mid-Winter is in the planning, It will be in January. The paper work and forms will go out as soon as we have the convention registration forms.
5. Last, but not least. I will follow the challenge of Lion Bernie for every District Governor to add one Leo Club to your district this year. This is my first year as the statewide chair, and I would like to see this state with over 40 clubs. Lions International has our state below the totals I have been given. FINALLY I would like to see District J with it's first Leo Club, what a great way this would be to start and finish my first year.

Respectfully submitted,



Lion Diane Shear
Statewide Leo Chair

◆ Multiple District 31 LEO News ◆

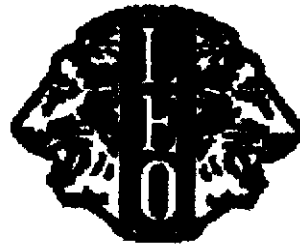
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A word from the State President...

Well it's the start of school again and most of us are trying to get used to waking up early and getting on the bus again. But as you struggle, or snoop through your first period math class, try not to forget about your Leo club. Try to visit other clubs around you, and get to know their members. Out of the many Leo clubs in North Carolina, less than 5 of them were represented at the State Convention. After going to the state conventions for the last 5 years that is the smallest number I have ever seen there ... even though the lines for the boats were much shorter ... it wasn't the same without all the other kids. Camp Dogwood is a great way to see what all of your hard work and earned money goes to, in helping the Vision inquired and supporting the camp. It is also a good time to share ideas about service projects and fundraisers and an awesome way to meet new people. Just this year I learned about a project called "Right Night" that I had never thought of before and that would be a

wonderful way to collect glasses, especially for community clubs without a base school.



Working Together

One cool thing about visiting other clubs is the way two clubs can come together to do group projects and involve more communities and bring more attention to the work that they do. The high school age club I belong to has teamed up with the middle school club on couple of different projects and our efforts brought the attention of the local newspaper, who wrote a story about our work. If it was not for that story the park we were trying to save would have probably been shut-down, and it was our joint efforts that saved it. I would encourage each club to visit at least one club around it, and if not in person you can always use the phone or use the Internet as a meeting place.

(see page 2)

Mid - Winter Convention

Our Mid-Winter convention, will be held on the week-end of January 23 & 24th. It is to be held in Salisbury, NC, in conjunction with a District Convention, as in other years.

Statewide Project

This year as the State President I would like to do a state wide project, and the most original one I could think of is each club having some sort of clean up in their own community. A lot of towns have many places that could be awesome to go, if someone would take the time to take care of them and restore them. Too many people see something old and say its a shame how its gone downhill, so don't just stand around, do something!!! Katie Clark, the Treasurer of my club, suggested the name for this project "Turn Ugly Into Awesome".

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"Turn Ugly into Awesome" *(continued from page 1)*

So this is what I propose to you find some part of your community that has no one to care for it and adopt it as your own. Anything goes, everything from an old cemetery to a park or picnic ground, or even a small garden along the roadside to welcome people to your area. I would love to have some of your ideas so if you want to, write me an email at Flameart18516@netcape.net

Working Together *(continued from page 1)*

I know its sometimes hard, especially with school to find a good time for meetings with sports, jobs, church and all the other things that take up your time, but don't give up hope! Our club lost at least 5 members last year because they did not have the time, but please remember that Leo is a very important part of many people's lives. The money we earn and donate is the one thing many people can always depend on.

*From the Statewide Leo Chair
Lion Diane Shear*

We are starting a new year and many of you are deep into your projects. You have starting the annual recruiting drive to replace those members that have graduated. Membership is one of our biggest projects each year. Without new members we cannot complete those programs that help others.

I have been out of touch with everyone due to recovery from surgery. Now I am back and it's time to get to work. We have a lot to do.

Your state officers have had their first internet meeting and are ready to serve Leos around the state. We are looking for a good turnout for the Mid Winter Conference in January and an even bigger turnout for the Leo State Convention in May '03. Remember that we have a NC Leo Club website and we need articles of interest to place in club activities.

To ALL District Leo Chairs, if you need help with anything, give me a call. 910-353-8604.

To: Council Secretary/Treasurer Ohm

From: John Kearney, State Liberty Day Chairman

Ref: Official Report

Date: November 8, 2003

Liberty Day Pins: I have ordered 500 Liberty Days pins for this year. As I reported earlier the pin will have a dark green back ground and the Army Insignia in the center. I have received a sample pin, which is being passed around. Unfortunately, the sample pin was done incorrectly. The background was done in blue, the same as last years. Due to the time factor I was unable to receive another sample, but I have been assured by Curt Barnhill that the order will have the correct color. He has told me that the pins should arrive by December 1st. I am proud of the detail in the insignia; he has done an excellent job with it. I will be glad to take pre-orders for anyone wishing to have 20 or more. I already have orders for 100. The pins will sell for \$2.00 each.

Liberty Day Celebration: On October 18th, members of the Liberty Day Committee met with State Convention Chair Brad at the Air Borne and Special Operations Museum. Before our meeting we were taken on a guided tour of the facility. Fellow Lions, I must say that this is an impressive facility and will be an excellent location for this year's celebration. The preliminary plans are to start the celebration at 2:00pm on the Saturday of the convention. Depending on the weather, the program will be held outside on the front lawn. If the weather moves us inside we will hold the program in the facilities theater, which will hold 250 people. We expect to have anywhere from 250 to 350 attendees. If weather permits we hope to have the military parachutist jump in flying the colors. We are also looking at other ideas such as: a brass band and a 21 gun salute. After the program attendees will be able to take a self guided tour of the museum. The event will then be topped off with a reception on the back lawn. As you are aware we are hoping to get Senator Elizabeth Dole as our guest

speaker. The presence of a Senator Dole will be an excellent opportunity for publicity. She should attract most of the local media outlets to the event. It will be sometime in January before we will know if she is coming.

This will be an important event for the Lions of NC. Not only will we, hopefully, have a US Senator present, but we will also have the Lions International President present.

And let's not forget that we have a candidate for International 2nd Vice President. All of these things together make this an excellent opportunity for us to shine.

As with most anything this event will take several important things: hard work, time, and like most other things money. We plan on getting as many things as possible donated, but there will plenty of things we will have to buy or rent. We will need items such as: chairs, tables, food, a security guard, and programs printed.

During our meeting we decided to ask the council and the individual districts to help with the costs. Each district

chairman is supposed to ask for \$200 from their district. I am asking that the council create a special restricted account to hold this money. I have brought checks from H & J today for a total of \$400. I am asking that this money only be used for the Liberty Day Program and only after the current budgeted fund is depleted. Any money that is left in the account at the end of the year should be carried forward to help with next year's program. I have passed out sheets to show how the current fund is expected to be spent.

Liberty Day Funds

\$1,000.00	Beginning Fund Balance
<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>Full Page State Convention Ad</u>
\$700.00	Balance
<u>\$750.00</u>	<u>Liberty Day Pins (500 X \$1.50)</u>
\$-50.00	Balance
<u>\$950.00</u>	<u>Selling of Liberty Day Pins (475 X \$2.00)</u>
\$900.00	Balance

1000.00

1,900.00

Women's Membership Development and Participation Chairperson Report

November 8, 2003

By: PDG Martha Butler, Chairperson

Since we last met in August, your District Chairpersons and I have received some information from Lions International to help us get this new committee established (I understand we can expect to receive more information as it is developed). We are beginning to get organized. At 3:30 this afternoon, we will hold our first Statewide Committee Meeting and we invite you, the Council of Governors and other interested Lions, to attend and share your thoughts. We will be discussing how we can interest more women in becoming members. Also how we can help in retaining the female and male members we already have. I truly believe that the more new members, and the not so new members, know about Lionism and how we serve as Lions the better Lions they will be. The better informed members are, and the more they are made to feel wanted and needed, the longer they will remain Lions.

To this end, we plan to work closely with our District MERLO Teams, as well as the Guiding Lions in our districts to insure that new female and male members become well informed. Both Districts B and C held special seminars at their conventions drawing attention and generating interest in the growth of women as Lion members. As of May 31, 2003, Female Lions only made up 16.74% of our total membership in North Carolina.

Our lions clubs have made many changes over the years, and we must continue to make changes in order to meet the needs of the less fortunate. One change in process, but still not fully accepted, is inviting women to become members. Many clubs have accepted this change, but certainly not all clubs. Our International President Dr. Tae-Sup Lee has asked that clubs accept this change now. After all, when someone needs our help they don't care if the hand held out to them is male or female. As you know, there is no better feeling in the world than the feeling we get inside when we help others. We, as a committee, are asking you to encourage the members in your districts to share this feeling with the women in your communities. Lions clubs need to grow their membership not for the sake of numbers, but for the sake of those in our communities that need our help.

I feel sure that the new incentives the International Board approved in October will help in our recruitment of more Women Lion Members, but only if we Lions invite them to join. I challenge you and all our fellow lions to invite women into your clubs. We became Lions Because Lions Serve the Blind, Visually Impaired, Hearing Impaired and Needy in our communities. When male and female Lions see each other, not as men and women but as Lions, we will grow our clubs. When this change is fully accepted, there will be more Lions, Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services, as we follow our motto "We Serve".

Country	Total Club	New Club	Dropped Club	Temp Club	Same Old Club	Transfer Member	New Member	Resigned Member	Transfer Member	Total Member Added	Total Member DED	Total Member Same Old	Total Membership	Goal/Low Total Point	NOT
NC CAROLINA	30					2	21	1	2	22	21	21	1,231	2	
NC CAROLINA	40				1	1	14	1	1	16	40	40	629	-2	
NC CAROLINA	18						3			3	11	10	820	-4	
NC CAROLINA	46					2	9		2	11	20	20	1,233	-9	
NC CAROLINA	47						27		1	28	31	31	1,189	7	
NC CAROLINA	52				2		18	1	1	20	21	29	1,237	-18	
NC CAROLINA	40						20	3		23	23	23	1,239		
NC CAROLINA	40						10			10	10	10	965	-4	
NC CAROLINA	43						11	1	1	13	17	17	1,010	-2	
NC CAROLINA	296	0	0	0	3	0	153	6	8	169	221	29	9,881	-52	
TOTALS	42					4	10	3	4	17	22	22	1,427	-13	
NC CAROLINA	42				4		36		14	40	43	32	1,164	-2	
NC CAROLINA	42						14	1		15	50	50	1,242	-22	
NC CAROLINA	42						22		3	25	22	22	1,211	-7	
NC CAROLINA	43						23	4	21	28	198	22	1,266	-60	
TOTALS	109	0	0	0	4	0	72	4	21	98	198	22	1,266	-60	
MAHURBETS	41						8			8	22	22	1,208	-14	
MAHURBETS	49				2		22		1	23	25	21	1,372	8	
MAHURBETS	35						7		1	8	42	42	1,248	-28	
MAHURBETS	48						10			10	17	10	2,010	-27	
MAHURBETS	58				1		12	4	1	17	51	10	2,280	-24	
TOTALS	351	0	0	0	3	0	65	4	4	74	187	31	8,522	-115	
MAHURBETS	35						10	1	1	12	31	31	964	-19	
MAHURBETS	37						16		1	17	40	40	942	-21	
MAHURBETS	38				1		19			21	25	25	1,008	-4	

Number of Women and Men Lions
By District on May 31, 2003

As of May 31, 2003
IDENT_NO DISTRICT ST_COUNTRY FEMALES MALES TOTAL %_FEMALE

1800	31 A	NORTH CAROLINA	276	954	1,230	22.44%
1810	31 B	NORTH CAROLINA	194	798	992	19.56%
1820	31 C	NORTH CAROLINA	165	673	838	19.69%
1830	31 D	NORTH CAROLINA	164	1,093	1,257	13.05%
1840	31 E	NORTH CAROLINA	238	953	1,191	19.98%
1850	31 F	NORTH CAROLINA	157	1,110	1,267	12.39%
1852	31 G	NORTH CAROLINA	150	1,091	1,241	12.09%
1854	31 H	NORTH CAROLINA	163	806	969	16.82%
1856	31 J	NORTH CAROLINA	168	855	1,023	16.42%
TOTALS			1,676	8,222	9,898	16.74%

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COUNCIL CHAIR POSITION REVIEW

Ad-Hoc Committee

November 8, 2003

To: Council of Governors

From: W. Brad Logsdon, PDG,
Chair Committee

Committee Meeting: August 9, 2003

Our committee meet with six (6) of the nine (9) members present. The pros and cons of the Council Chair position was discussed.

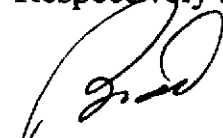
We reviewed 52 Multiple Districts in North America; 45 of the Multiples have a non-sitting governor as their chair. The seven (7) Multiples with sitting governors as council chair, five (5) showed substantial loss of membership.

Each of the members of the committee was charged with contacting two multiples to discuss their policy; how their decision was made and several questions were asked (example attached).

In conclusion, the consensus of our committee was not to change the policy Multiple District 31 has established. The policy allows each sitting Council of Governors the OPTION to select a Chair from their council or select a past district governor to serve as Council Chair.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Respectively submitted,


W. Brad Logsdon

Kentucky Council Chairperson

1- Type of Council Chair

Can be either Usually is a sitting Governor, but can and has been a PDG.

2- If PDG how selected

Selected from the previous years council.

There is no election for a PDG to serve as CC except by vote from within the Council. If the CC is a PDG then his or her expenses are covered. (Rules of Audit) If CC is sitting Governor Expenses are covered as Governor.

3- If sitting Governor – How selected

By vote of Council members

4- Does CC have a vote?

The CC has a vote only if he or she comes from the sitting Council. If the CC is a PDG then they have no vote.

5- Function

If the CC is a PDG then he or she serves as a facilitator.

6- Does MD have a PAID Sec/Admin. Asst?

The Multiple District of Kentucky does have a paid State Secretary. Their State Secretary oversees their State Convention and other things that the Council does not have time to do.

Feel that the State Secretary is invaluable when the right person has the job and gets along well with each Council and leaders from within the state.