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North Carolina Lions State Council
Official Minutes**

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PID Sid went on to say that he has been asked to withdraw his candidacy for 2nd Vice President for the 2006 International Convention. He was strongly assured that he was still a worthy candidate, however he was asked to re-state his candidacy for a later date. PID Sid asked for continued endorsement from the Council of Governors.

SST Ohm read communications:

1. A letter from LCI indicating that **three Lions Clubs were disbanding**: Highlands LC, D31-A; Foscoe Community LC, D31-B; Richmond Community College, D31-F.
2. **The Council received a Disaster Relief Check of \$500 from the Lions Of Oklahoma, D3H**, to be used for relief of the storm damage sustained by the State. With the approval of the Council Chair, the check was forwarded to D31-A to dispense.
3. The SST **transferred \$10,000 from the Promotions Reserve Account to the Executive Officer's Campaign Fund** in care of PCC Charles Smith, Treasurer.

DG Boehm moved to accept the **minutes of the last meeting** with one correction: "The Diabetes Committee is a full standing committee instead of an Ad Hoc committee". Seconded by DG Everette. The SST will correct the minutes. Motion passed.

SST Ohm presented the **Financial Statement as of November 11, 2004**.

Items of interest: a \$75000 Grant from LCIF for the new dormitory was run through the Council bank account and forwarded to the Foundation. The Youth Exchange Fund balance is now \$216.93 after paying the costs for the 2004 Camping season. All first half dues have been paid.

DG Everette moved to accept the financial report, seconded by DG Peedin. Motion passed. (Attach. "B")

CC Shuart called upon DG Keith Peedin for a report of the **Budget Review**. DG Keith had no report but promised to have a recommendation by the next meeting.

CC Shuart reported that the **Southeastern Leadership Institute** would be held at Camp Dogwood on April 14-17, 2005. Only 70 openings are available due to the rebuilding of the dorm at Camp Dogwood. The Institute Director, PDG Beverly Roberts, will send out applications.

CC Shuart made a motion to continue the **Endorsement of PID Sid Scruggs for 2nd Vice President of Lions Clubs International**. Seconded by DG Everette. Motion Passed. (Attach. "C")

Foundation President Harvey Whitley reported that the new dormitory was finished on the outside and inside work is progressing. **New furnishings** have already been selected and ordered. Some clubs have made donations toward the dorm. The VIP's while in attendance at the VIP Fishing Tournament voted to change the designation of the funds collected for the Swimming Pool to be used to furnish the lounge in the new building. **A substantial donation** has been offered by an unnamed donor to help pay for the Dorm. This will be voted upon at the Foundation Board meeting tomorrow. The Sensory Garden Fountain is in and operating, walkways have been poured and the Pavers will soon be laid. Landscaping will be postponed until spring.

President Whitley went on to say that **White Cane Donations** are keeping pace with last year; however, **Camp Dogwood Ticket Sales** are slightly behind last year. (Attach. "D")

Executive Director Steve Walker stated that while revenues are up, expenditures are also ahead of last year. Requests are up for white canes, hearing aids and matching funds. He presented a request for a Grant from LCIF for \$50,000 to be used for the UNC Diabetic Eye Clinic to purchase additional equipment. **(Attach. "E")**

A motion was made by DG Boehm to request the Grant from LCIF for \$50,000, seconded by DG Garbee. Motion Passed

CC Shuart recognized **PDG John Miller** for a report from the DSB. John reported that the DSB is losing counselors due to a requirement to have a Master of Science Degree to serve as a Social Worker for the Blind. There are only 58 Social workers for the 100 Counties in North Carolina indicating the seriousness of the problem. As Chair of the Commission for the Blind, Lion John is encouraging all lions to learn as much as possible about the services available for the Blind. **(Attach. "F")**

PDG Brad Logsdon gave his final report for the **2004 State Convention** in Fayetteville. He presented a check for \$3831.85 as profit from the Convention. He stated that there was a contested charge of \$300 for unused Ice cream that he feels will not be resolved.

(Attach. "G")

DG Everette moved to approve the 2004 Convention Report; seconded by DG King. Motion Passed.

PDG Ivy Iverson gave his report of the **2005 State Convention in Raleigh**. Meal prices have been negotiated, with a concession of half price for children less than 12 years of age. He asked clubs to start gathering items for the Tail Twisters Breakfast. Registration forms will be available by December 31st.

(Attach. "H")

DG Everette moved to approve the meal prices and the Convention Plans as presented, seconded by DG Peedin. Motion Passed

PDG David Boyd gave his report on the plans for the **2006 State Convention in Greenville**. It will be held at the Greenville Hilton Hotel on April 20-23 2006. He stated that he was able to negotiate the room rates down to \$79.00 per night. He and PCC Ed Shivers are negotiating meal prices to be presented at the February meeting. **(Attach. "I")**

Ad-Hoc Committee for Selection of Council Chairman – PDG Brad Logsdon gave his report of the committee comprised of PDG Martha Butler and PCC John Wall. A six-point recommendation was presented. CC Shuart added comments made during the caucus last night. SST Ohm was directed to send a letter to each PDG for the last five years to query their interest in serving as Council Chair.

DG Boehm made a motion to have the correspondence relating to the position of Council Chair be made a duty of the State Secretary-Treasurer instead of the nominating committee.

Seconded by DG Garbee. Motion passed.

DG Garbee moved to adopt the amended resolution and send the so amended resolution to the Constitution and By-laws Committee. Seconded by DG Everette. Motion Passed. **(Attach. "J")**

CC Shuart called for a 15-minute recess.

CC Shuart reconvened the meeting and called upon PDG Brad Logsdon for the **Council Chair Ad Hoc Committee Report**. In summary, the committee proposed that the By-laws be amended as follows:

1. The Council Chairperson will be selected from the Immediate Past District Governors, and those who have served within the last 5 years and who have not served as Council Chairperson.
2. Interested candidates are to send their resume' to the Nomination Committee or the State Secretary Treasurer for certification of eligibility.
3. The incoming Council of Governors will interview and elect their Council Chairperson.
4. Expenses for the Council Chairperson will be paid from the Council Funds.
5. Recommendations were made to make the selection at the 2005 February DG Training session and in subsequent years at the December DG Training Session.

DG Jim Boehm moved to amended paragraph 2 of the report to call for the State Secretary Treasurer to receive the Candidates résumé's instead of the Nominations Committee. Seconded by DG Hunter Garbee. Motion Passed

DG Jim Boehm moved to add wording to have the Council Chairperson be a non-voting member of the Council except in the case of a tie. Seconded by DG Pat Roland. Motion passed.

DG Hunter Garbee made a motion to accept the proposal as amended and forward the proposal to the State Constitution and By-laws Committee for presentation to the state membership for approval at the state Convention. Seconded by DG Gene Everette. Motion Passed.

Statewide Committee Chair Reports

Constitution /By-laws Committee Chair PDG Ron Kelly reported that the Committee will meet in the afternoon to act upon the resolutions presented to the committee. **(Attach. "K")**

(Mike Schwartz commented that the Notice of Constitution/By-Laws Change must be in the Winter issue of the State Newspaper to allow 30 days notice to the state membership. The deadline for articles is November 17th. This would require the Council to approval of the wording before they left this weekend. Later it was determined that the Spring issue will give the 30 days notice for Constitutional Change. The wording of the proposed changes will be voted upon at the February meeting)

Extensions Committee Chair PDG Houston Henderson encouraged Governors to use their MERLO teams to increase membership. He urged the Governors to "plan their work and work their plan". **(Attach. "L")**

Diabetes Awareness – DG Hunter Garbee reported that co-chairperson Sharon Batkoski is making program visits. He is suggesting a pro-active approach to the problem of Juvenile Diabetes. A south Carolina Lion, Sandy Decker, has personally raised \$25,000 for the Juvenile Diabetes Association. At their last cabinet meeting, D31-C has adopted JDRF as a District 31-C Project.

Historian Committee Chair PDG Herb Justice commended the districts on good participation of their History Committee members at Camp Dogwood. He presented a proposal to print a new NC Lions History Book with a soft cover to reduce the cost. Color photos will be included. Only pre-subscribed copies will be printed to avoid the excess inventory of the last printing.

Historian Chair Herb Justice moved that the proposal be accepted; seconded by DG Gene Everette. Motion passed

NCLF Public Information Chair, Lion Mike Schwartz, suggested that the History Committee enlist the professional services of Lion Gwen White to help write the text of the book. Chair Herb stated his desire to have the books ready by the May State Convention. (Attach. "M")

Information Technology Chair Carli Metts submitted a written report. (Attach. "N")

Leadership Chair PDG Bob Moorehead announced that the December and February District Governor Training sessions are scheduled 2005-2006 Vice District Governor Training Sessions are planned for May 13-14, 2005. He recommends that each district fund the SE Leadership School for their respective Vice District Governor. (Attach. "O")

Liberty Day Chair John Kearney reported that 800 Liberty Day booklets were distributed and another 800 set for distribution today. The 2005 Liberty Day pin honoring the U.S. Navy is available for \$2.00 each. The 2005 Liberty Day Celebration will be held at the NC Legislative Building in Raleigh, on Saturday, March 12, 2005. (Attach. "P")

LCIF/Sight First Chair Billy Gene Herring reported MD31 donations of \$73,469.00 to LCIF for 2003-2004. Grants received by MD31 include \$75,000 for the dormitory construction, \$11,250 for a habitat House in 31-B, and \$5000 for flood relief in 31-B. (Attach. "Q")

Orientation Chair PCC Ed Shivers reminds the Governors the importance of Orientation in retention of members. (Attach. "R")

Peace Poster PDG Ivy Iverson stated that Districts are to have their winning posters to the Council Chair Jim Shuart by Dec. 1, 2004. The Judging of for the State Peace Poster will be at the Explorers Museum in Raleigh on December 7th. He reminded the council that the state winner would receive a plaque and a \$500 Savings Bond at the state Convention. DG Hunter Garbee stated that the LCI Traveling Peace Poster Display is now in Charlotte.

Promotions chair PDG David Boyd has sold clothing items at D31-B & D31-F conventions as well as this weekend. He commented that he had a surplus of all Cotton shirts, which have lost favor in lieu of the polyester/cotton blend shirts. To encourage sales, he has reduced the price to \$15 each. With a similar surplus of Lion's tote bags, a price reduction to \$5.00 each was made to encourage sales. Lions should make plans to attend the International Convention in Hong Kong. Be sure to apply for passports and visas if you are planning to take side trips. (Attach. "S")

Retentions chair PDG Jim Caudle encourages all Lions to make every other Lion feel important to insure retention. Presidents and officers should do everything possible to make the meetings fun and enjoyable. (Attach. "T")

Women's Membership Development Chair PDG Martha Butler reported that worldwide women's membership efforts are a great success. In MD31, while Women's membership is also increasing, male membership is declining. One reason is our aging society; we must recruit both men and women if we are to continue to serve. (Attach. "U")

Youth Exchange Chair Paulette Gasperson is actively planning the 2005 Camping season. Several applicants have already been accepted. Travel will be in the Eastern part of the state. (Attach. "V")

Youth Outreach chair PCC Jim Irvin scheduled a meeting of the State Youth Outreach Committee this afternoon. He outlined several topics pertaining to the scope of duties of the Youth Outreach Committee that was discussed at he first meeting. **(Attach. "W")**

John Kearney asked for time to promote the **NC Lions License Plate Initiative**. Each plate will cost \$10 over the normal licensing fee, and personalized plates will cost \$40.00 over the normal licensing fee. He distributed forms that are to be sent to NCLF President Harvey Whitley. At least 300 names are required for DMV to consider. **(Attach. "X")**

CC Shuart called for a motion to accept the committee reports. **DG Gene Everette moved to accept the State Committee Reports; seconded by DG Alan King. Motion passed.**

CC Shuart expressed his concerns that the Governor's Capsule Program was not being pushed by the Governors. He encouraged Governors to ask each club to participate. Goals are to help furnish the new dormitory, a donation to South Eastern Guide Dogs, and Juvenile Diabetes Awareness Education.

CC Shuart announced that PCC Earl Davis has resigned as the **State Boys and Girls Home Chair**, and PDG Brad Logsdon was appointed to the 3-year term. **DG Boehm moved to approve the appointment, seconded by DG Peedin. Motion Passed.**

Likewise, PDG Bill Johnson has resigned as the **State Nominations Committee Chair** and PCC Diane Whitley has accepted the appointment to fill the vacancy. **DG King moved to approve the appointees; seconded by seconded by DG Peedin. Motion Passed**

CC Shuart announced to the Vice District Governors that **Leader Dog** has invited them to Rochester, MI on July 22-23, 2005. The VDGs should respond to Bill Hanson's letter if they plan to go.

CC Shuart encouraged Governors to have clubs participate in the new LCI Environmental Photo contest. Judging will be in February 11, 2005.

In New Business, CC Shuart commented that it has been past practice to invite the Council Chair of South Carolina to our State Convention at the Council's expense, he also wished to invite the Council Chair of Virginia as well. Expenses would include lodging and meals for the CC and spouse.

DG Gene Everette moved to invite the CC's of South Carolina and Virginia to the State Convention at the Council's expense; seconded by DG Pat Roland. Motion passed.

DG Alan King requested to floor to conduct a raffle to raise money for White Cane. DG King presented a sealed box for bid. After vigorous bidding, DG Hunter Garbee had the winning bid of \$55 for a large stuffed Lion.

The next meeting will be on February 12, 2005, at the North Raleigh Hilton, Raleigh, NC.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

George D. Ohm, PDG
State Secretary-Treasurer



Resolution of Endorsement

Whereas, Lion J. D. "Ian" Fowler, Past International Director, of Canberra, Australia, has been endorsed by the Lions of MD-201 Australia for the office of 2nd International Vice President of Lions Clubs International, and

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

Resolved, that the Council of Governors of Multiple District 31 -- North Carolina and the Lions assembled at Rocky Mount, North Carolina this 13th day of November, 2004, hereby endorse and express their support for Past International Director Ian Fowler, and encourage the Lions of the world to support and vote for him for 2nd International Vice President at the 88th International Convention in 2005 in Hong Kong.

James C. Shuart, DG
Council Chair
Multiple District 31
North Carolina

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

North Carolina Lions State Council
2004-2005 Financial Statement
November 11, 2004

INCOME:	Budget	11/11/04	(over)/Under	Line Item
Funds from prior years (see note 1)	26,070.67	26,070.67		100
State Dues per member (\$2.50 x 9869 as of 6/30/04)*	24,672.50	12,301.25	12,371.25	110
Interest Received	-	-		120
District Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer Bonds	417.50	417.51		130
Vendor space rental at 2003 State Convention	450.00		450.00	140
Tailtwister's ticket sales and auction (State Conv.)	2,000.00	-	2,000.00	150
Youth Exchange Funds restricted current year	-	500.00	(500.00)	160
Misc. Income not Budgeted	-	500.00	(500.00)	170
District Governor's Capsule Program	-	1,700.00		175
LCIF Grant - Camp Dogwood Dorm.	-	75,000.00		180
Total Income	53,610.67	116,489.43	(62,878.76)	
EXPENSES:				
Financial Audit	350.00	350.00	0.00	200
Treasurer's Bond (see Note 2)	520.50	520.50	0.00	210
Clerical Services - NCLF	600.00	600.00	0.00	220
Office Supplies (Secretary / Treasurer)	300.00	129.39	170.61	230
Printing (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	163.31	336.69	240
Postage (NCLF and Secretary / Treasurer)	500.00	88.86	411.14	250
Telephone (Secretary / Treasurer)	200.00	0.00	200.00	260
Plaques and Gifts	1,000.00	0.00	1000.00	270
State Council Meetings	250.00	0.00	250.00	280
Expenses - State Secretary / Treasurer	3,500.00	1940.19	1559.81	290
Expenses - State Council Chair	5,000.00	1096.93	3903.07	300
2004 State Convention - cash advance (see note 3)	6,000.00	4000.00	2000.00	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	21.90	2478.10	350
Orientation Committee	500.00	0.00	500.00	360
State Council Committee Expenses	8,000.00	1671.12	6328.88	370
Liberty Day	2,000.00	0.00	2000.00	380
Leo Clubs Expenses	1,000.00	0.00	1000.00	390
Youth Exchange (from Council Funds) (see note 4)	500.00	2883.07	-2383.07	400
Misc Expenses not budgeted (see note 5)	1,000.00	750.00	250.00	410
District Governor's Capsule Program	-	0.00	0.00	415
LCIF Grant - Camp Dogwood Dorm.	-	75000.00	-75000.00	420
Total Expenses	36,720.60	69,216.27	(52,494.77)	
Cash (Check Book Balance)	16,890.17	27,274.16	(10,383.99)	
Total	53,610.67	116,489.43	(62,878.76)	

Note 1: Includes Designated Funds: \$2100 for Youth exchange and \$475.72 to Liberty Day

Note 2: Includes \$103 Council Sec-Treas Bond and \$417.50 for District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer Bonds

Note 3: State Convention \$4000 advance plus \$2000 additional for selling \$6000 Ads by Nov. 13, 2004.

Note 4: Bal fwd \$2100 + 500 Budget+\$500 donations = \$3100 less \$2883.07 exp. = +216.93 bal. 9/1/04

Note 5: Incl \$500 Donation DG ad in State Convention Program D3H Oklahoma & \$250 DG Ad in state Conv Prog.

**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

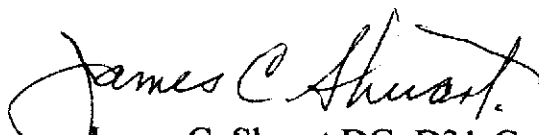
Whereas, Lion Sid L. Scruggs, III of the Vass Lions Club has served the Lions of North Carolina and the world in an outstanding manner as an International Director during the years 2000 to 2002; and


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 Rocky Mount, North Carolina this 13th day of November, 2004, 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.


James C. Shuart DG, D31-G
Council Chairperson
MD31 – North Carolina


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

November 13, 2004

Report to the State Council
From
PDG Harvey Whitley, NCLF President
November 13, 2004 Rocky Mount, NC

As the first four months of our Lions year come to a close, our new building at Camp dogwood is rapidly approaching completion. Most of the outside work is done. Carpet and furniture have been ordered. Expected completion is by mid-January to early February.

The Visually Impaired Sensory Garden is also near completion. The fountain and walkways are in. The pavers are on hand and should be set in the next few weeks. We will be placing the pavers in the walkway leading from the Stickley Building to the fountain. The benches are being engraved. Landscaping will probably be delayed until February or March rather than in the winter months.

Humanitarian White Cane funds are coming in at a steady pace. Please tell your clubs that we appreciate their hard work.

Camp Dogwood ticket sales are beginning to pick up as we have had Fall Conventions in Districts B and F. Encourage your clubs to continue to sell these tickets.

This afternoon we will be having a Board caucus to discuss feedback received from our Camp Dogwood summer counselors. Several key policy changes will be reviewed. We will also be reviewing some changes that have been recommended by our insurance company.

LIONS OF NORTH CAROLINA

MD-31

GRANT REQUEST

A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. Date: November 15, 2004
2. Project Name: NC Lions Diabetic Eye Clinic Equipment Purchase
3. Funds Requested: \$50,000 US
4. In North Carolina, 6.4% of the population is diabetic or over 389,000 people have diabetes with 60% of them of working age. In the past few months the Diabetes Center saw in excess of 2000 patients.
5. There are 18.2 million people in the United States, or 6.3% of the population, who have diabetes. While an estimated 13 million have been diagnosed with diabetes, unfortunately, 5.2 million people (or nearly one-third) are unaware that they have the disease. Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in the working age population. The incidence of diabetes in our society is on the rise and affects people of all races, socioeconomic class and ages. This cause of blindness is nearly always treatable when discovered early, usually before an individual has visual symptoms. Diabetics are also at a greater risk for glaucoma and cataracts, which are also treatable forms of eye disease. Because this major cause of blindness concerns a population of working age, convenient access to care is paramount. Our objective is to purchase additional diagnostic equipment to place in the NC Lions Diabetic Eye Clinic.
6. The NC Lions Diabetic Eye Clinic was established at the UNC Healthcare Diabetes Center in 2003. The Diabetes Center has been in existence since 1996 under the direction of John Buse, M.D. Ph.D. Its goal is to provide comprehensive medical care to diabetics and referral services for primary-care doctors treating North Carolinians with diabetes. This setting is a particularly appealing model of care for such a group of patients with multiple health care needs. A patient can come to the center for a nutrition evaluation, wound care, and an eye exam all in one afternoon. Because diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in working aged Americans, convenience of eye care is paramount for these patients.

7. The Department of Ophthalmology is a part of the University of North Carolina Healthcare System. They will be responsible for the ongoing operational and administrative costs.
8. The majority of patients are from North Carolina. However patients are seen from all over the Southeast which includes Virginia, Georgia and South Carolina.
9. The Department of Ophthalmology is a part of the University of North Carolina Healthcare System. This department was established in 1952 and currently has over 28,500 patient visits per year. It is comprised of ten active clinicians, one research faculty and one professor emeritus, as well as eight residents on campus. The Department is under the direction of its new Chairman, Travis A. Meredith, M.D.
10. Steve L. Walker
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B. LIONS IDENTIFICATION AND INVOLVEMENT

1. The Lions of North Carolina have been involved in Clinical Eye Research for many years. We have established a Clinical Eye Research Committee to oversee these activities. This committee is updated on projects underway and visits the centers on a regular basis. In each quarterly edition of our statewide newspaper, which goes to every lion, articles are published concerning the activities of these centers.
2. UNC has agreed to provide signage indicating that the Lions of North Carolina funded this project.
3. Signage will be placed in the center recognizing the LCIF for their contribution to the project.

C. PROJECT BUDGET

<i>SOURCES</i>	INCOME	<i>AMOUNT</i>	<i>ITEMS</i>	EXPENSE	<i>AMOUNT</i>
Pin Project		\$ 10,000.00	Ocular Computed Tomography		\$ 49,250.00
Lions Clubs		\$ 40,000.00	OTI-Scan 3D-D-A Ultrasound		\$ 19,000.00
LCIF		\$ 50,000.00	Ophthalmic Imaging Review Stations (2)		\$ 9,000.00
			Small Equipment Items		\$ 20,600.00
			Lane Supplies		\$ 2,150.00
TOTAL		\$ 100,000.00			\$ 100,000.00

Club contributions will be the major source of local funding. Each District Governor sets goals for their District. Clubs decide on their own local projects to raise these funds. Over 80% if the clubs have participated in these efforts. Another source of funds is the Pin Project. Members donate old Lion's pins and these are made available to other members. The local portion has been raised and is on hand.

D. APPLICATION ENDORSEMENT

1. Cabinet or council certification must be included with every grant application. Please submit a copy of the cabinet meeting minutes at which the application was certified. For single and sub-districts, the district governor must sign the application. For multiple districts, the council chairperson must sign the application. (Please refer to items two and three of the regulations portion of the criteria.)
2. Sign and return the following statements:

DISTRICT GOVERNOR ENDORSEMENT

"This to certify that I have reviewed the LCIF Standard Grant Criteria and grant application. To the best of my knowledge the information submitted is accurate and the need exists as indicated. I endorse this proposal and will do everything within my power as administrator of any funds granted to assure their proper and efficient use, proper accounting and regular reporting to Lions Clubs International Foundation."

District Governor Name	District Number	
Address		
Telephone	Fax	E-mail
Signature	date	

Council Chairperson endorsement

"This is to certify that I have reviewed the LCIF Standard Grant Criteria and grant application. To the best of my knowledge the information submitted is accurate and the need exists as indicated. I endorse this proposal and will do everything within my power as administrator of any funds granted to assure their proper and efficient use, proper accounting and regular reporting to Lions Clubs International Foundation."

Council Chairperson Name	Multiple District Number	
Address		
Telephone	Fax	E-mail
Signature		

UNC Health Care NC Lions Diabetic Eye Care Center

Phase II Funding Request

October 31, 2003

The UNC Department of Ophthalmology would like to continue building our collaborative Eye Care Project with the NC Lions and submits the following request for Phase II funding. The generous support received on May 18, 2002 allowed us to purchase ophthalmic equipment and supplies to staff three exam rooms, an Ophthalmic Imaging System, Coherent Laser and a state-of-the-art Humphrey Visual Field Analyzer. Phase II funding will provide needed funds to purchase six additional diagnostic instruments critical for the care of our diabetic patients and to participate in national collaborative clinic research into new methods to treat diabetic retinopathy. In addition, Phase II funding will allow us to purchase additional minor equipment and supplies for diagnosis and treatment of diabetic eye disease.

Ocular Computed Tomography (OCT): \$49,250

Vendor: Carl Zeiss Meditec, Inc.

The OCT gives a high resolution cross-section of the retina which allows us to see abnormalities affecting the retina which are only a fraction of a millimeter in size. In diabetic retinopathy one of the main causes of loss of vision is edema of the macula. The OCT gives exquisite detail of macular edema and allows for both improved diagnosis and better monitoring of therapy. In the past year this new technology has become the standard of care of retinal practices and is mandated in the clinic research studies we plan to join.

OTI-Scan 1000 3D-B-A Scan Ophthalmic Ultrasound: \$19,000

Vendor: Ophthalmic Technologies, Inc.

The three-dimensional ultrasound machine enhances diagnosis when there is blood or cataract in the eye and provides a sophisticated way to follow tumor therapy. Bleeding into the vitreous and detachment of the retina are the most serious complications of diabetic retinopathy. Ultrasound is mandatory in these conditions to assess the position of the retina and monitor the vitreous as when there is a significant amount of blood in the eye. The new three-dimensional capability allows more sophisticated analysis and viewing of the interior of the eye in these conditions.

Ophthalmic Imaging System Review Stations (2): \$9,000

Vendor: Ophthalmic Imaging

The two requested review stations will enhance the complete imaging system purchased with Phase I funding. The review stations will be placed in the exam rooms, allowing the physician and patient to discuss the findings of the high definition fluorescein angiography. This system produces exquisitely detailed pictures of the capillaries inside the eye for diagnosis and treatment. Images are stored on computer and are available each time the patient returns to the clinic for follow-up visits.

Small Equipment Items: \$20,600
(From Original Funding, but deferred for Phase II)

Autorefractor (\$8,000)
Portable Slit Lamp (\$8,000)
Manual Keratometer (\$2,000)
Tonopen (\$2,600)

These items were budgeted during Phase I, but were deferred to allow the purchase of the Ophthalmic Imaging System. This action was approved by the Executive Director in collaboration with the UNC Department of Ophthalmology Chair. These items are necessary to complete the Eye Lanes and facilitate better patient care. In the interim, items have been borrowed from the UNC Eye Clinic. These borrowed items will return to the UNC Eye Clinic to accommodate on-campus expansions.

Miscellaneous Lane Supplies: \$2,150

Items to be purchased, should funds remain, include trial frames, trial lenses, tangent screen, microsurgical instruments for minor procedures, occluders, Farnsworth D15 color test, educational aids, etc.

DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND
November 2004

As expected, the fall was quite busy. We believe that we spoke to approximately 700 blind and visually impaired consumers through our presentations at the conventions of the NC affiliate of the National Federation of the Blind, American Council of the Blind, and the VIP Fishing Tournament. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in all of these events as we had the chance to update people on happenings at DSB as well as get input and suggestions on how we can continue to improve our services.

DSB and other agencies that provide services to blind consumers are in the process of planning the 3rd Annual Conference on Blindness and Visual Impairment to be held on the GMS Campus March 10-12, 2005. Additional information will be available in the coming weeks.

The Division submitted an expansion budget request to the Department of Health and Human Services that would allow for more case service money in the Independent Living Rehabilitation Program as well as several additional positions in areas such as technology and independent living. The request will be considered for inclusion in the Governor's Budget. If included in Governor Easley's budget, it will then move on for consideration by the General Assembly.

We continue to look at ways to address our growing number of vacancies due to the large number of people eligible for and opting for retirement. A number of our positions require specialized skills such as orientation and mobility instructors, positions that serve deaf/blind consumers or in the case of our rehabilitation counselors who must hold a Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling or Counseling in order to comply with federal regulations. These requirements make recruitment very difficult and can result in delays in serving consumers. One step we will be taking to address this issue is to offer paid internships in Rehabilitation Counseling with the hope of attracting people who are in training to become counselors and then hire them.

**RONALD L. HUBER
3706 REGENTS PARK LANE
GREENSBORO, NC 27455-2618**

TO: DISTRICT GOVERNORS, MD 31

**FROM: RONALD L. HUBER, CHAIRMAN, PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND**

I hope you all are having an outstanding year serving as District Governor. Thank you for your efforts and service to our great Association.

The North Carolina Commission for the Blind is an advocacy group for the blind and visually impaired citizens of our state. It works very closely with the Division of Services for the Blind (DSB) in addressing issues of concern to the blind and visually impaired.

Enclosed is information about the programs, services, and activities of the DSB. It is our goal to help Lions Clubs gain a better understanding of what the DSB does and who it serves, so that clubs can refer people in your local communities to it when their services might be of help to them.

To accomplish our goal, we are requesting that you include the enclosed information in your next newsletter. More information will be provided to you about these services and programs over the coming months. Thank you for sharing these facts with the Lions in your District.

**cc: John T. Miller, III, Chair, Commission for the Blind
Debbie Jackson, Director, Division of Services for the Blind**

The International Association of Lions Clubs

(Lions Club International)

W. BRAD LOGSDON

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT 31-F
DISTRICT GOVERNOR 1999-2000
DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2002-2003

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2004 North Carolina Lions State Convention

The 81st Multiple District State Convention

Holiday Inn Bordeaux, Fayetteville, North Carolina

March 4-7, 2004

November 13, 2004

FINAL FINALIZED REPORT!!!

All checks have cleared the bank; all accounts have been closed and balanced. With great pleasure we are able to return to the "NC STATE COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS" \$3,831.85, as excess (profit) from the 2004 State Convention.

We have been unsuccessful in collecting the \$300.00 +/- sfrom MelloButterCup for the returned ice cream. Mr. Steven Taylor, owner of MelloButterCup has sold the company and refused to return our phone calls or respond to our letters. Legal action is being pursued and if any money is recovered it will be turned over to the Council.

Again, I stress to the 2005 State Convention Committee. Make every effort to achieve the advertising sales goal of \$25,000. By achieving this goal your will be much easier, less stressful and allow you to produce a great convention for the Lions of North Carolina. Also, keep a watchful eye on the hotel billing and they deliver on their promises.

My experience as Convention Chair has been challenging, fun and learning project. Please, THANK ALL the Lions of North Carolina for the opportunity to serve.

Yours in Lionism,



W. Brad Logsdon, PDG
Convention Chair

NC LIONS 2004 STATE CONVENTION

November 5, 2004

INCOME:

PROGRAM ADS	\$	19,025.00
STATE COUNCIL		6,000.00
CONVENTION REGISTRATIONS		17,990.00
GOLF REGISTRATIONS		1,305.00
NCLF-AUCTION PROCEEDS		4,825.00
MISCELLANEOUS - Hospitality Room		450.00
Convention Patches		342.00
Convention Pins		335.00
Re-imburement FAT&VB		400.00
Re-imburement NSF Bank Fee		27.65
Re-imburement-State Council		114.00
Entertainment Refund		125.00
TOTAL INCOME		50,936.65

EXPENSES:

MEALS:& LODGING		27,255.72
PRINTERS - Program Books, Event Programs		5,630.39
NCLF-AUCTION PROCEEDS		4,825.00
CHAIRMAN'S TRAVEL EXPENSE		1,348.23
GOLF TOURNAMENT		1,320.00
BUSES		1,275.00
CONVENTION PENS, FLAG & BANNER		1,030.00
ICE CREAM		637.50
ENTERTAINMENT		600.00
NAME TAGS		559.26
REFUNDS-REGISTRATION		362.00
CONVENTION PATCHES		353.50
2005 NC STATE CONVENTION ADVERTISEMENT		300.00
HOSPITALITY ROOM SUPPLIES		275.23
COMPUTER SUPPLIES/TECH		260.24
FLOWERS		257.50
STATIONARY		192.60
LODGING & ENTERTAINMENT-Int'l. President		167.49
POSTAGE		145.29
PO BOX RENT		82.40
VIDEO EXPENSES-Airborne Museum		81.80
REFUNDS-ADVERTISING		75.00
REFUNDS-GOLF		45.00
BANK CHARGES (Refunded)		27.65
TOTAL EXPENSES		47,106.80

Excess Revenue over Expenses		3,831.85
Transferred to State Council		(3,831.85)
Account Balance - November 5, 2004		\$ -

2005 NORTH CAROLINA LIONS STATE CONVENTION
MAY 27 – 29, 2005
NORTH RALEIGH HILTON HOTEL AND CONVENTION CENTER
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

DATE: November 12, 2004
TO Lion James C. Shuart, Chairman, Council of Governors
FROM: D.C. "Ivy" Iversen, General Chairman, 2005 Lions State Convention
SUBJECT: Quarterly Report #2, 2005 Lions State Convention Committee

Your 2005 Lions State Convention Committee continues to develop the plans for your state convention in Raleigh on May 27 – 29, 2005. Details are slowly beginning to jell and pieces of the puzzle are falling into place at an accelerating pace.

Working with the hotel, menus for the meals and prices have been negotiated. Exhibit #1 provides you with this information. The committee recommends these menus and the prices per Lion be approved by this council. Not noted in this exhibit is the fact that we have negotiated a ½ price for children under 12 years of age for the District Governors Banquet. This may entice more Lions to bring their children to the dinner.

Exhibit #2 is the financial report as of 11/10/04. We are doing well, however, I had hoped that we would have been a little further ahead than we are on the income side. With your help, we hope to be well over the \$10,000.00 mark in Ad sales by the end of the year. Of course, this will be less than one half the total amount needed to provide the Lions of North Carolina a great convention. Exhibit #3 gives you an idea of how many Ads have been sold through 11/12/04. Not many – Help!

The entertainment committee is still working on this aspect of the convention. Many ideas and suggestions have been made and are being investigated and negotiated. If you have any comment, ideas or suggestions, we will be happy to hear them. We need to finalize this soon and should have a definitive report at the next council meeting.

With the approval of the menus and meal prices we should have the registration forms ready to go by the end of December. The hotel is now ready to take reservations for the convention and the council meeting scheduled for February. Contact the Hilton directly at 919-872-2323 or 1-800-445-8667.

For the Service of Remembrance we need to know how you plan to do the service so that we can make the proper arrangements for the set up of the room and stage.

The convention Booths at the district conventions have been a success. There has been a lot of interest and clubs are placing ads and taking advantage of the 10% discount given at each convention. Also, the information about Raleigh's shopping, historical, cultural and recreational opportunities has been well received. For the districts yet to have their conventions, please make a special effort to inform the clubs about the 10% discount on club ads only available at the district conventions. Don't forget, each of you guaranteed me 10 club Ads and 5 Business Ads from your districts. If you have someone in your district who is a good salesman, put him or her to work on this.

We plan to have the hospitality rooms open on Friday and Saturday afternoons. You need to determine how you want to set up the hospitality room or rooms. Basically you have two options. (1.) One room which has to be catered by the Hotel. (2.) We have three parlors set aside where three districts can go together and provide their own food and drink. The committee recommends #2 as it would be less costly and gives more comradery and ambiance to the hospitality room.

In regards to the District Governors Elect reception on Sunday, it will be held in the large hallway outside the Grand Ballroom. I have negotiated to have the hotel provide the punch for this event. The hospitality room can supply the snacks. This should help keep the cost of this event at a minimum.

We are asking that you start urging your clubs to start gathering items for the Saturday morning Tail Twister Breakfast to be raffled or auctioned. The committee is only picking 10 items to be auctioned and will have them on display on Friday so that the Lions will be ready to bid on Saturday morning. Hopefully this will speed up the Auction at a time when we are pressed for time.

We are investigating the possibility of having one of the local ACC Coaches for a Saturday afternoon motivational Session. If this does not come to fruition, then we will need your input for possible seminars or workshops for Saturday afternoon. Please provide us with your thoughts on this.

Samples of the convention pins have been ordered and we should have those for your review at the next council meeting. As you know, we opted for the crossed flags for a giveaway to all attendees. We also designed a convention pin to commemorate the 82nd North Carolina State Convention.

The next few weeks are critical in pulling all the pieces of the convention together. The committee is working diligently to produce a well designed and well oiled convention for the Lions of North Carolina. We will have concrete results to review with you at the next council meeting in February in Raleigh.

If there are any questions or comments I will be glad to take them at this time.

Submitted By: D. C. "Ivy" Iversen, General Chairman

**THURSDAY NIGHT INT'L.
FAMILY DINNER**

8 oz. Prime Rib With Natural au jus
House Salad
Chefs choice of rice, pasta or potatoes
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Freshly Baked Rolls and Butter
Chefs Choice of Dessert
Columbian regular & decaffeinated coffee,
Premium hot teas and Ice Tea

Cost to Committee.....\$28.00
Cost per Lion.....Complimentary

**SATURDAY TAIL TWISTER
BREAKFAST BUFFET**

Fresh Orange Juice
Sliced Fruits and Melon
Fluffy Scrambled Eggs
Link Sausage & Applewood Smoked Bacon
Southern Style Grits
Home Style Potatoes
Assorted Muffins, Breads & Pastries
Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee & Hot Tea

Cost to Committee.....\$14.00
Cost per Lion.....\$15.00

DISTRICT GOVERNORS BANQUET

House Salad With Choice of Dressing
Oven Roasted Salmon With Lemon Dill
London Broil
Chefs Choice of Rice, Pasta or Potatoes
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Freshly Baked Rolls & Butter
Chefs Choice of Dessert
Regular & Decaffeinated Coffee, Hot Tea and
Ice Tea

Cost to Committee..... \$28.00
Cost per Lion.....\$25.00

FRIDAY NIGHT FUN NIGHT

2 Pasta Stations-
Choice of 2 pastas and 2 sauces
2 Salad Bar Stations
2 Deli Stations
Dessert Station
Iced Tea, Lemonade, Water
Served with Garlic Bread Sticks,
Pepperoncini, Mushrooms, Ripe
Olives, Pepper Strips Parmesan
Cheese

Cost to Committee \$17.00
Cost per Lion \$15.00

PDG LUNCHEON

The Brooklyn Deli Plate
Choice Roast Beef, Smoked Turkey
and Virginia Ham, Jack and Cheddar
Cheese, Beefsteak Tomato, Lettuce,
Dill Pickle Spear. Red Potato Salad
with Sliced Keiser Roll
Chef's Special Dessert
Columbian Coffee, Decaffeinated and
Iced Tea

Cost to Committee \$14.00
Cost per Lion \$15.00

**Note: All meal prices are inclusive
of taxes, tip and use of facilities.**

NC LIONS 2005 STATE CONVENTION					
RALEIGH, NC					
MAY 27 - 29, 2005					
BUDGET - ACTUALS as of 11/16/2004					
INCOME:		BUDGET		ACTUALS	
STATE COUNCIL (ADVANCE)				\$6,000.00	\$4,000.00
PROGRAM ADS					
FRONT COVER	\$0.00	1	\$0.00		
INSIDE FRONT COVER	\$750.00	1	\$750.00		
BACK COVER	\$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	16	\$4,140.00
HALF PAGE	\$200.00	12	\$2,400.00	3	\$375.00
QUARTER PAGE	\$125.00	28	\$3,500.00	4	\$237.50
EIGHTH PAGE	\$75.00	28	\$2,100.00	5	\$375.00
PATRON	\$25.00	12	\$300.00	0	
PROGRAM BOOK				\$21,000.00	\$5,877.50
MEALS:					
FRIDAY FUN NIGHT	\$17.00	375	\$6,375.00		
SATURDAY TAILWISTER BRKFAST	\$14.00	395	\$5,530.00		
SATURDAY PDG LUNCHEON	\$14.00	95	\$1,330.00		
SATURDAY DG BANQUET	\$28.00	470	\$13,160.00		
TOTAL MEALS:				\$26,395.00	
CONVENTION PINS	\$2.00	250	\$500.00		
MISCELLANEOUS			\$1,200.00		\$100.00
DIVIDENDS					\$14.63
TOTAL INCOME:				\$66,095.00	\$9,992.13
EXPENSES:					
MEALS:					
THURSDAY NIGHT	\$28.00	55	\$1,540.00		
FRIDAY FUN NIGHT	\$17.00	410	\$6,970.00		
SATURDAY TAILWISTER BRKFAST	\$14.00	430	\$6,020.00		
SATURDAY PDG LUNCHEON	\$14.00	130	\$1,820.00		
SATURDAY DG BANQUET	\$28.00	506	\$14,140.00		
TOTAL MEALS:				\$28,960.00	
ENTERTAINMENT					
FRIDAY NIGHT				\$2,500.00	
VIP ROOMS (see Contract)	\$80.00	20	\$1,600.00		
HOSPITALITY (GIFTS, BASKETS, FLOWERS, ETC)				\$2,000.00	
BANQUET SUPPLIES (FLAG, etc)				\$400.00	
AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT				\$700.00	
PRINTING PROGRAM BOOK	\$9.33	750	\$7,000.00		
PRINTING (EVENT PROGRAMS, etc)				\$450.00	
COMMITTEE EXPENSES				\$2,300.00	\$401.98
CONVENTION SHIRTS	\$20.00	40	\$800.00		
CONVENTION PINS	\$1.55	300	\$465.00		
REGISTRATION MATERIALS (NAME TAGS, BADGE HOLDERS, etc)				\$1,300.00	
REGISTRATION EXPENSES (BAD CHECKS, REFUNDS, etc)				\$900.00	
BANK FEES				\$75.00	\$10.97
POSTAGE				\$175.00	\$74.49
OFFICE SUPPLIES				\$300.00	\$66.52
MISCELLANEOUS				\$500.00	\$100.00
TOTAL EXPENSES				\$50,415.00	\$652.96
BALANCE: PAYABLE TO THE STATE COUNCIL				\$4,680.00	\$9,339.17
ACCOUNT BALANCES					
CHECKING					\$25.00
SAVINGS					\$9,314.17

**The 2005 North Carolina Lions State Convention
 May 27-29, 2005
 North Raleigh Hilton Hotel
 Raleigh, North Carolina**

Sponsorship Contract

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

LION Contact (Ad Solicitor)

Name: _____ Phone _____
 Club: _____ E-Mail _____

Convention Program Book

Size Advertisement	Special Instructions
Size Ad: Full Page \$300 7 ½ X 10	
1/2 Page \$200 7 ½ X 4 7/8	
1/4 Page \$125 3 5/8 X 4 7/8	
1/8 Page \$ 75 3 5/8 X 2 3/8	
Patron \$ 25 (Alpha Listing)	
Back Cover \$1,000	
Inside Cover \$750 each (Front and Back)	
Centerfold \$1,500	

Note: all adds have ½ inch border around page unless instructed otherwise, less than full page will have ¼ inch separation.

Please submit ad copy (include logos if required) and check payable to:

**North Carolina Lions 2005 Convention
 c/o Glenn Day, Convention Treasurer
 1416 Whittington Drive
 Raleigh, NC 27614**

DEADLINE APRIL 15, 2005

CONVENTION REPORT

Plans are well underway for the 2006 NC Lions Convention in Greenville. The official date, April 20-23. Location: Greenville Hilton.

The room rate is set at \$79.00 per night plus taxes (total-\$89.27). We are coordination with GH&J Mid-Winter convention and the February State council & NC LF Meetings. It was necessary to obtain the best rate.

The rooms are furnished with king- size or two double beds. The Hilton's expanded facility provides space for up to 1,000 attendees and offers approximately 25,000 square feet of flexible meeting space. The entire campus is over 55,000 square feet of meeting and exhibit space. City Bistro is equipped to accommodate us with an overflow of 75 rooms.

The city of Greenville is one of the fastest growing cities in North Carolina. The city of Greenville is varied and offers much. Greenville and surrounded communities are a shoppers dream. Downtown Greenville renovation is underway and when completed, visitors will enjoy spending time there. We are proud to be the home of East Carolina University.

The Mayor and Council of the city of Greenville are excited about hosting the 2006 State Convention and will make you welcomed. They are offering any assistance we need in making this the best state convention ever.

I am in process of forming my committees. Lion Ed Shivers and I are negotiating affordable meal prices.

If any of you have fresh ideas on how we can improve and make the convention the best ever, I am available.

Thank You for allowing me to serve.


Submitted by David C. Boyd Jr., Pdg
2006 State Convention Chair

Nov. 11, 2004

COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON **AD-Hoc Committee Report**

The following is a list of recommendations for the 2004-05 Council of Governors to consider while making their decision on the requirements in selecting the Council Chairperson for Multiple District 31, North Carolina. It has been a pleasure for me to chair this ad-hoc committee along with PDG Martha Butler and PCC John Wall in developing these guidelines. We would like to thank the Council for allowing us to serve.

1. The Council Chairperson position shall be filled by an active Past District Governor. With consideration given to an immediate Past District Governor, and/or a Past District Governor who has served during the past five (5) years and never served as a Council Chairperson.
2. Interested and/or willing to serve Past District Governors shall submit their name and resume of service to ~~a) Nomination Committee Chair or b)~~ State Council Secretary. After certifying the qualification, the names are to be submitted to the INCOMING State Council of Governors.
3. The INCOMING State Council of Governors will interview each of the candidates and make their selection by majority vote by secret ballot. The INCOMING Council will be selecting their Council Chairperson.
4. Expenses for the Council Chairperson will be paid from the State Council of Governor's funds. Multiple District 31 by-laws direct that the Council Chairperson's expenses be reimbursed at actual expense within the budgeted amount.
5. We recommend that the selection for Council Chairperson is made at the February "NC Governor's Training" and the selected Council Chairperson become part of that training program.
6. The current Council of Governors will adopt this policy and establish procedure for future selection of MD 31 Council Chairperson. The Council will then forward their recommendations to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee for their action.


W. Brad Logsdon, PDG
November 13, 2004

November 13, 2004

The North Carolina Constitution and By-Laws
Committee Report

The North Carolina Lions Multiple District 31 Constitution and By-Laws Committee, in its capacity as an advisory committee to both the Council of Governors and the North Carolina Lions Foundation, will meet today at 12:00 Noon to take up the matter of drafting changes to our Constitution and By-Laws regarding the selection of a Council Chair after July 1, 2005 as directed by the International Board of Directors.

I have received and reviewed the draft of the Ad Hoc Committee's report on this matter and await the Council of Governors decision on the specific criteria that we can use to craft the proper wording for the necessary constitutional amendment.

All Council of Governors members will receive a copy of our Committee's report prior to the next State Council Meeting on February 12, 2005, at which time we will seek their advice and consent to place this amendment on the agenda of the Lions State Convention to be held in Raleigh, NC May 26th through May 29th, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,



Ronald F. Kelly, PDG
Committee Chair

North Carolina Lions MD31 State Extension Committee Report

November 13, 2004

Rocky Mount, NC

To: State Council of Governors,

The following is a summary of Extension activity in North Carolina:

- District 31-A One Club- Charter presentation August 28, 2004
One College Club on process
Contacts made at two Retirement Centers
Interest expressed in two Latino Community Clubs
Two or three other areas are being looked at.
- District 31-B District "B" has a written plan for Extension
One Club Formed
One Branch Club about to mature
Two area Clubs being pursued
At leased four area clubs being discussed
- District 31-C One Club Charter presentation August 2004.
One Latino community club being pursued
Other areas being looked at and community contacts being developed
- District 31-D One Leo Club Certified
Looking into One Campus Club, one Hispanic club, and one Community Lions Club
- District 31-E Region Chair working in one area
Initial contact being made for a possible VIP Club
- District 31-F Two new Clubs Chartered
One campus Club about to mature
At least three other areas being considered
- District 31-G One Elite VIP Club formed
Some interest in a Latino Community Club
- District 31-H Two areas with good possibility of new clubs
Contact being made to develop prospect list for one area that has good possibilities
Two other areas being considered
- District 31-J One Club Chartered
One area has been worked for several months
One Senior Housing development being considered

Governors, as you can tell the *extension flame* is burning hot in some areas and not so hot in others. When I talk to Lions about extension, from some I get positive responses on how to form new Lions Clubs or how we can succeed. From some I get reasons or rather excuses why we can't form new clubs. From others I get criticism of what "they" are not doing.

I urge you to encourage your extension chairs to get out into the communities and work with region chairs, zone chairs, PDGs and others interested in extending the service of Lionism. Extension cannot succeed from behind a desk, over the telephone, or just talking in a meeting. Our leaders have to go into the areas and lead.

I urge you to use the MERLO teams, encourage them to plan their work and work the plan.

WE CAN CHARTER NEW LIONS CLUBS!

Let's keep the Fire Burning Under Extensions.

Let your extension Chairs lead the extension efforts in your districts.

Do you have a District Plan for increasing Membership through Extension?

Houston Henderson, PDG
Extension Chairperson

Rocky Mount, North Carolina
November 13, 2004

MEMORANDUM TO: Council of Governors

FROM: PDG Herbert A. Justice, History Committee Chairman

SUBJECT: Report from History Committee

The History Committee has met twice so far this year, on August 21 with 5 Districts represented and on November 7 with 8 of the 9 Districts represented. The representative from the other District was excused as he was moving his mother. The majority of the time at each of these meetings was spent discussing what the committee member's thought the update of the next History Book should be like and accepting assignment areas to update.

It is the consensus of the committee members that the next History Book should be in a soft cover format similar to the State Magazine. It should be easy and interesting to read and should be updated periodically, say every 5 years. The next History Book should be a 15-year update and be in a 4-color format for the cover and the State Pins with the body of the book in black and white. The members of the committee believe that this book, if placed on disk, can be easily updated and can be produced so that the cost will be \$5.00 or less. The update could be ready for issue at the State Convention in 2006

The following recommendations from the History Committee members are made to the Council of Governors and we seek your approval to continue or other directions:

1. The next update of the History Book should be a 15 year update,
2. The book should be easy to read and interesting,
3. The book should be published with a soft cover,
4. The book should be in digital format on disk so that it can be easily reproduced and updated,
5. The number of copies should be only the number of copies that have been prepaid. (Since it will be on disk, additional copies could be printed at any time),
6. Subscription for the book should be through the Lion newsletter and through the Governors at their cabinet meetings.

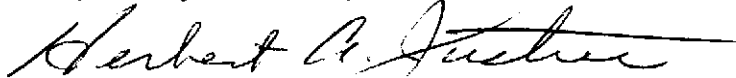
Therefore, it is the request of the History Committee that the Council of Governors approve the following:

"The History Committee should proceed with an update of the Lionism in North Carolina and that the quantity of books to be printed be the number of books that have been prepaid."

Assuming the above recommendations are approved, the committee will meet again on February 26 and 27, 2005 to begin gathering information for the update. It is expected that all 9 District Representatives will be at this meeting. We will also complete the installation of the frames for the photographs to be placed on each District Bulletin Board in the Stickley Building, however, we still need the help of the District Governors to get in the missing photographs of the District Governors, the Vice District Governors, each District Cabinet Secretary and the District Treasurers. We would like to have 8 x 10 photographs of the above and we would like to have them up prior to the Southeastern Lions Leadership Institute to be held at Camp Dogwood in April, 2005.

I want to thank you for the great Lions that you have appointed to this committee as your District representative. They are all knowledgeable, interested and willing to work. They make a great team to work with. I also wish to thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Herbert A. Justice". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Lion Herbert A. Justice, PDG
State Chair of the History Committee

Information Technology Report
November 13, 2004

Good Morning Governors, Past District Governors and other distinguished Lions. An update on the constitution and by-laws to be added to the website of NCLF and the State website are in progress.

I do have a couple of issues of out of date websites. District B is out of date with NCLF's Links. If the District Information Technology Chairman would email Lion Bennie Pugh, he can make the changes to the NCLF's web page.

Second District D's website is currently 2 years behind. If we as Lions want to tell our story on the web we need to keep a current website for our districts.

I know with our busy schedules it sometimes gets hard with keeping websites updated, but we do need to find the time to keep the websites updated monthly.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Carlie Metts
State Information Technology Chair


Report to State Council
November 13, 2004

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

- 1) Two training sessions have been scheduled for Vice District Governors (Governor Elects) at Camp Dogwood. They are December 3-5, 2004 and February 25-27, 2005. The sessions will run from dinner Friday to about noon on Sunday. The schedules and reservation forms will be mailed out next week
- 2) The first training session has been scheduled for Vice District Governor-Elects at Camp Dogwood, on May 13 & 14, 2005.
- 3) Forms have been received from Elaine Kurck, Manager of the Leadership Administration Department of Lions Clubs International, to have the State Council reimbursed for one training session for Governor-Elects.
- 4) I would recommend that the Districts fund the Southeastern Leadership Institute for their VDG-elects next year. It will be held at Camp Dogwood on April 14-17, 2005. This would give them a good beginning on their training as District Governors.

Date: November 13, 2004

To: 2004-05 Council of Governors
2004-05 Council Secretary/Treasurer

From: John Kearney, 
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Re: Liberty Day Program

I am pleased to report that this year's Liberty Day Program is up and running with over 800 Liberty Day Booklets having been distributed and another 800 set for distributed today.

This year's Liberty Day Pin has arrived and the selling price is \$2.00 per pin. This year's pin keeps with the theme "Celebrating Freedom" and honors the United States Navy. Only 450 pins were ordered and 150 have already been sold.

I am pleased to announce this year's Liberty Day Celebration will be held on March 12 at 2PM. Arrangements have been made and confirmed to hold the program at the North Carolina Legislative Building in Raleigh. After the program there will be light hordurves and a tour of the building. Hopefully, with the celebration being held in Raleigh, which is more centralized in the state than previous years, we will have a larger turnout. The Liberty Day Committee ask every to make plans to attend this event.

Our committee will be meeting today at 2:30PM in the hospitality room (Room 237) for any Lions interested in attending.

The International Association of Lions Clubs

(Lions Clubs International)



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NC STATE COUNCIL MEETING LCIF/SIGHT FIRST CHAIRMAN'S REPORT November 13, 2004

The 2003-2004 LCIF year-end totals for Multiple District 31 were not available for our first meeting in August, but I do have them for you at this time and they are:

District 31A	\$10,810	District 31F	3,672
District 31B	8,330	District 31G	11,685
District 31C	7,365	District 31H	5,052
District 31D	12,464	District 31J	5,302
District 31E	8,788		

Following are the grants that have been approved in 2004 in Multiple District 31:
 MD31, Dormitory construction at Camp Dogwood, March 2004, \$75,000
 District 31B, Habitat for Humanity home, March 2004, \$11,250
 District 31B, Flood relief, September 2004, \$5,000

On behalf of LCIF I want thank the North Carolinas Lions and congratulate you for a great job last year. For several years contributions from North Carolina have been in a declining state. I am both pleased and proud that the trend has now been reversed.. Your contributions increased by ten percent over the previous year. Districts 31A, D, & G are especially commended for their efforts. Those three districts alone accounted for approximately half of the statewide contributions. Again thank you for a job well done.

As I have said before, just remember that LCIF is all about enabling Lions to help others. As Lions of North Carolina we need to continue to be generous to LCIF. The needs are great. Millions of people with hopes and dreams, many here in our state, depend on LCIF. We have now reversed the trend. Let's keep it moving upwards.

Respectfully submitted,

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

**ORIENTATION REPORT
NOVEMBER 13, 2004
EDWARD D. SHIVERS III
MD-31 ORIENTATION CHAIRMAN**

THANK YOU COUNCIL CHAIRMAN JIM.

GOOD MORNING GOVERNORS, FELLOW LIONS AND GUESTS.

DISTRICT GOVERNORS SHOULD CONTINUE TO DO ALL THAT THEY CAN TO INSURE THAT NEW MEMBERS 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, HOW IT TIES IN WITH THE DISTRICT, MULTIPLE DISTRICT AND LIONS INTERNATIONAL, WHAT THEIR INDIVIDUAL ROLE WILL BE AND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF MEMBERSHIP.

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

ALL REGION AND ZONE CHAIRS SHOULD ASSIST THEIR GOVERNORS TO SEE THAT CLUB PRESIDENTS INSURE THAT EACH OF THEIR NEW MEMBERS RECEIVE A "NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION". DISTRICT MERLO TEAMS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE AND READY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WHEN NEEDED.

LET US ALL REMEMBER THAT A PROPERLY INFORMED MEMBER AND ONE KEPT ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN CLUB ACTIVITIES IS ALSO ONE WHO IS MOST LIKELY TO REMAIN A LION FOR YEARS.

THANK YOU, ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

NC PROMOTIONS REPORT

Trust you Governors are having a good year. I'm available to help you promote Lionism.

I have attended Fall Conventions District B & District F. Both were very good conventions.

Sales are going well and I have \$ 600 in sales. Fellow Lions the promotion committee needs your help.

At present, we have a surplus of all cotton shirts. Secretary George and I agree to take a mark down on all cotton shirts. Reduced to \$15.00, a great buy.

Totes, we are over stocked and reduced them to \$5.00. Again, a great buy. These items will make a good Christmas present.

When thinking of purchasing a gift, think of the great looking merchandise from Promotions.

Pins, How are you Governors in selling your pins? Please contact me or fellow Governors if you run short.

International Convention: Hong Kong. Are you making plans to attend? If your passport has expired, you need now to renew it. It takes 6 to 8 weeks for processing. Contact Lion Anne Neroni if you need a travel agent. She has great buys.

Remember, the best way all of us Lions can promote Lionism is by our smile.

The Promotion Committee will meet _____ Saturday afternoon.

Submitted by Lion David C. Boyd Jr.
State Promotion Chair

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make every member feel like a part of your club

Council of Governors,

Every member of your club must feel important and as a part of your club if you want to retain them. make sure that they are included in each project and in the decision process..

Since my last report our multiple district has dropped to 9817 members from 9834 members. we are still loosing members. It appears that we are still not putting enough effort into retaining our membership..

Presidents should rate your club. order the pamphlets on rating your club and then use it to have the members complete it. have a committee review the answers. then discuss the answers with your membership. let's find out if your membership is having fun as lions. may be your programs are to long and boring. form a program committee to bring in a variety of programs. let the membership have a voice in running the club.it is easy to drop a member. the secretary does the paperwork. the sponser should be involved along with the membership committee. members drop out because they are unhappy with the club. the club has the responsibility to find out why they are unhappy and then do something about it..the governor is responsible to keep an eye on the clubs and their membership. use your guiding lions and rebuilding lions where you find a weakness. have your zone chairperson become proactive.

Fellow Lions our MD cannot continue this trend. we need strong leadership.

JIM CAUDLE, SRC

**Women's Membership Development and
Participation Committee Report
November 13, 2004**

Worldwide the Women's Membership Initiative is a great success. President Kusiak's goal for 2004-2005 is 25,000 new Female members. In Multiple District 31 we are growing the number of female members but we still face challenges. We are improving and the challenges today are less than a year ago, but they do still remain. We continue to have clubs who choose not invite women to become members and that is their privilege. The District Chairpersons continue to encourage change and do so with a positive and understanding attitude. My plea to you Governors is that you discuss a plan of action with your district chairperson and encourage them, with your assistance, to follow through with the plan. If I can assist you or your district chairperson in any way please don't hesitate to call. Thank you, Governor Joyce for your foresight in this matter.

Unfortunately, as you can see from the sheets I have given you while the number of female members is growing unfortunately the number of male members are declining. The logical reason for this is that we are an aging society. We must continue to bring in both men and women as members. Remember the person needing our help doesn't care if the hand reaching out to them in service is black or white, male or female.

International President Kusiak's goal this year is 25,000 new female members and a net gain of five percent in membership. With a positive attitude and teamwork we in Multiple District 31 can achieve this goal. We have 395 clubs in North Carolina, if every club retained their present membership, and gained one female and one male member our membership would be 19,634. I will be contacting each of the district chairpersons prior to the next council meeting and hope to hold a statewide planning session to determine how we, with your help, can work toward this goal.

Thank you again for allowing me to serve in this capacity.



**LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL
YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM 04/05**

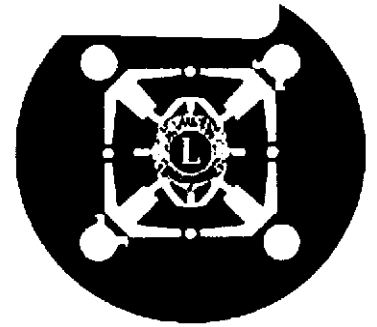
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North Carolina Youth Exchange

Nov. 13, 2004

Thank you Council Chair Jim and Governors, We had a great camp last year. Now I'm working on the year 2005 camp. Germany, Italy, The Netherlands, Finland and Austria have already got a space in our camp. They know that our camp will fill up fast. Last weekend I was at District F Convention, there I talked to 3 Lions Clubs that wanted to sponsor us when we are in their District.

Next year we will be in 5 Districts. District D (July 16-17), District G (July 18-20), District J (July 21-23), District H (July 24-27), District F (July 28-30)

Governors I welcome you and the incoming Governors to come and visit with us while we are in your District. The students will be the program at any Lions Club meeting we attend.

Thursday Nov. 18 I will give a program to Brevard Lions Club. They are trying to start a Campus Club. At one of their meetings I talked a little about the Youth Exchange Program, after the meeting I had several students to ask me

more about the program. We need to get our students involved in our program. Do you know someone between the ages 17-21 that would like to go to a foreign country? They would be staying with Lions for two weeks for their host family, then they would join the group. Emily Bulter will speak at the state convention about her trip last year.

Thank You:

Paulette Gasperson Youth Exchange Chairperson

YOUTH OUTREACH COMMITTEE REPORT
N C COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
November 13 2004

Five members of our committee were present at our first meeting. Also attending were Paulette Gasperson, Sharon Batkoski and Larry Covington. The second meeting is scheduled for this afternoon

Members present:

Butch Coley
Donna wood
Wayne Webb
Judy Williford
Jim Irvin

Others attending:

Paulette Gasperson. Youth Exchange Chair
Sharon Batkoski Diabetes Chair
Larry Covington Leo Chair

There was general discussion about the duties of the Youth Outreach committee and its current involvement in the educational program "Quest" which teaches skills for living and problems of drug and alcohol abuse.

Two new youth committees were considered. The Lions Committee on Youth and the Children's committee were introduced as possible additional committees, These could become a part of the N C Lions organization. The Council of Governors will be asked if they think there is interest in greater Lions involvement in youth activities.

Two new programs of youth eye screening and involvement of superintendents in the Quest program were discussed at length. Further action will be considered at our next meeting.

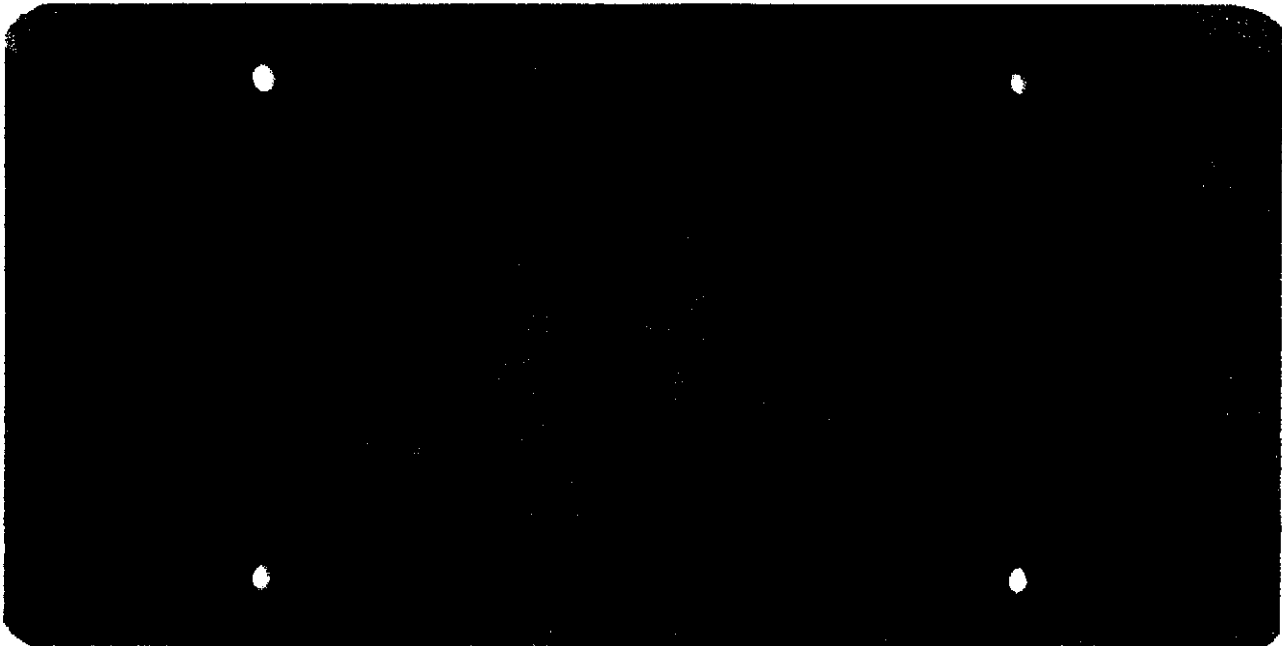
The Chairpersons of the other youth programs entered in the discussion about continuing to work together in further meetings.

Core 4 grants, Peace posters and diabetes awareness were considered for additional involvement in the committee on youth. Council Chairman Jim Shuart has indicated a keen interest in Diabetes in children.

An information folder containing details of each of the Youth committees will be given to the Youth Outreach committee today. This will enable the committee to know the duties of these committees and to work with them in achieving our mutual goals this year.

We really ought to make Lions programs for youth a higher priority in North Carolina. Thank you for your support of "Youth in North Carolina"
James M"Jim" Irvin Chairman

NC LION'S LICENSE PLATE



(Proposed design, actual design may vary)

Would you like to have one of these great license plates on your car or truck?

We are again trying to have DMV create a license plate for the Lions of North Carolina. Before DMV will create the license plate we must have at least 300 applications. This year we are asking everyone interested in having one of these license plates to fill-out one of these forms. Once we get enough of these forms we will mail each interested Lion an application from DMV. We will then collect the applications and money and forward them to DMV. The cost of the license plate will be an additional \$10 per year for a regular plate or an additional \$40 per year for a personalized plate. Remember this cost is in addition to your regular annual registration fee.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

How many license plates would you like to have (1 per vehicle)? _____

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