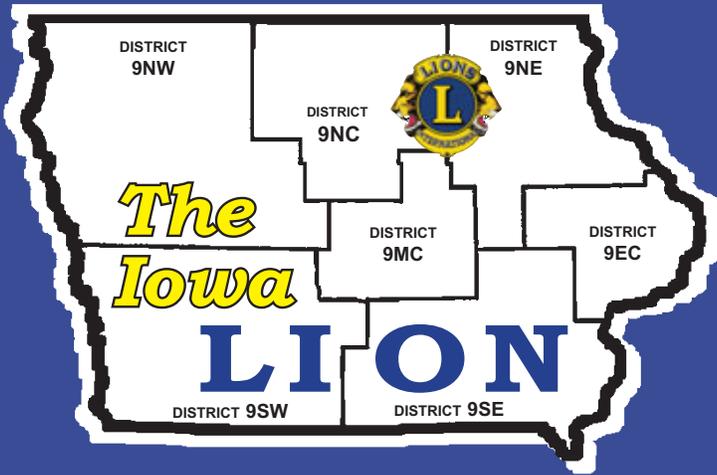


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2015 IOWA LIONS STATE CONVENTION, JUNE 4-6: The International Leo of the Year plus ID Mike Molenda and Motivational Speaker Mike Parker WILL HELP YOU STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE AS A LION

By PCC Ardie Klemish,
Convention Planning Committee Advisor

International Lions President Joe Preston encouraged us this year to "Strengthen the Pride." The featured guests at the June 4 to 6, 2015 Iowa Lions State Convention will motivate you to do just that!



AHMI DHUNA

Join your fellow Iowa Lions at the Cedar Rapids Marriott Hotel at 1200 East Collins Road. Ahmi Dhuna, from Burlington, Iowa, the International Leo of the Year, will be the keynote speaker on Friday, June 5 at the 12 o'clock noon meal, where she will share her experiences serving on the International Board. She was the subject of feature stories in the March *LION* magazine and in the February edition of *The Iowa Lion*.

First-timers ... be sure to register for one FREE night stay at the January 2016 Iowa Lions Mid-Winter Leadership Conference at the Des Moines Airport Holiday Inn. Also, first-timers, be sure to attend a special seminar just for you at 8 a.m. on Saturday in the Oak Room.

Tour Eye Bank and KidSight offices

FREE TOURS will be available Friday afternoon to the Iowa Lions Eye Bank and Iowa KidSight offices in Coralville. We will meet at 2 p.m. in the hotel lobby and divide into two tour groups: one will carpool to the Eye Bank first and one to Iowa KidSight first. Each will have a 45-50 minute tour and then switch locations. Lion Dr. Cindy Reed and her staff as well as Lion Lori Short and her staff are proud to welcome you to their facilities. Your donations to the Iowa Lions Foundation enable their teams to help people in need. Come see the "cutting edge" in eye research and the most productive children's vision



screening program team in North America!

The Rosewood Room will be full of vendors from 10 to 4 on Friday and 8:30 to 3 on Saturday with a variety of products for you to peruse: for men, women, and your home. Familiar Lions entities will also have displays and team members to answer questions for you. *A drawing will be held for participation in the Vendor Area in the Rosewood Room. Check it out at the registration desk when you arrive.* Interested vendors should contact PDG Zane Vokes at lionzane@me.com.

Lions Jeopardy game fun Friday night

Iowa's PID Dave Stoufer will bring you FUN on Friday evening, June 5 with a Lions Jeopardy game. Maybe you'll learn some new facts about Lions to take home to your club! Get ready to compete against your fellow Lions. No Lion paw notes allowed! We guarantee you'll have fun with your new and old Lion friends. The hospitality room will be open with refreshments and visiting both Friday and Saturday evenings.

ID Molenda keynote speech at Saturday brunch

International Director Mike Molenda will give the keynote speech at the Saturday, June 6 brunch at 10 a.m. Both ID Mike and his wife, Lion Linda, from Minnesota will bring

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So, you've got a New Member! Now What?

By SA Tim Wilson, PDG

OK! You asked someone to join Lions and he or she said YES! Great job! We need new members in every Lions Club. Now what? Is the job done? What do we do with this brand new member? Some might say, "It's up to the sponsor to show them the ropes." That is correct to some extent. The sponsor must take responsibility to "show them the ropes." But it doesn't fall totally on the shoulders of the sponsor. The whole club must get involved.

First, we need to have a meaningful New Member Induction. Make the new member feel special. Like they are the most important Lion in your club because, they are the most important Lion. They are helping in the growth of your Lions club.

The next thing is Orientation. This, to me, is the EDUCATION phase. We can't just tell the member what Lions do, we have to explain the things we do and why we do them ... and not just your local Lions Club but the Lions of Iowa and Lions International. This is also a great way to re-educate our experienced Lions. Why is this important? I

ARE WE KEEPING OUR MEMBERS SATISFIED?

(Note from MD-9 GMT Coordinator Connie Inman)

MD-9's membership report from Lions Clubs International shows that we have lost 648 members this year. We have asked and signed up 432 new members, but we are not retaining our Lion members as fast as we are getting new ones. Dissatisfied Lions are dropping out of our organization!



We've asked and signed up new members. Keeping those new members satisfied and meeting their expectations about what it means to be a Lion is the next step. We need to help them learn

about our organization and get them actively participating in Lions service and club activities if we want to KEEP THEM! We also want to keep all of our members satisfied through service, fellowship and leadership development.

Applications due by May 1 for Editor part time position

The current editor of THE IOWA LION magazine desires to retire. Applications are being received until May 1, 2015 for this part time position.

For an application form and a position description and necessary qualifications, contact State Administrator Tim Wilson at the Lions Clubs of Iowa state office in Ames. By mail: 2300 South Duff, Ames, IA 50010; by telephone: 641-232-2215; by e-mail: iowalions@aol.com.

spoke with a new member recently. This member told me that they didn't really know what was going on in the club because they had no idea what the other members were talking about when things were being discussed. And this new member didn't really know what kind of questions to ask so they could understand. I could tell that this member was upset about the fact that they can't really contribute to the functioning of the club because they have not been educated about Lions. It's like if you were starting a new job. What if all the other employees assumed you knew all about the operation and didn't need any training? You wouldn't last at the job very long. That is what is happening to our new members. They are leaving because we are not educating or training them. New members need information!

An idea to help with this was discussed at the last Global Membership Team meeting. We have the ability to produce webinars from the Iowa Lions State Office - much like LCI does. It was suggested that we start having monthly Orientation/Education webinars for new members. It might, also, benefit some of your experienced members. We will be setting these up in the near future so keep an eye out for the details.

So, you recruited a new member by "Ask 1". Now let's start working on "Keep 1"! By educating our new members we will move forward with the continued growth of Lions!

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Informational seminars, motivational speakers, recognition for new member sponsors among plans for state convention

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FUN into your life and share ideas for you to “Strengthen The Pride” in your club. Our Iowa peace poster winner will receive recognition at the brunch.

Two sessions of numerous informational seminars on Saturday schedule

Saturday features two sessions of informational seminars, including Emily Wharton, Technology Program Director with the Iowa Department for the Blind; Deafinitely Dogs (a service dog group based in Cedar Rapids); and seminars on each of the seven entities served by your donations to your Iowa Lions Foundation, as well as a session on LCIF. The first group of seminars is at 8:45 a.m. prior to the brunch, the second group at 12:00 noon, following the brunch. More seminar topics will be announced in the May issue of *The Iowa Lion*. MD9 GMT and GLT teams will also meet at noon.

Voting on proposed changes at business session – and sponsored entities will report

The annual business meeting of Lions of Iowa will be at 1:45 p.m. Saturday, where delegates will vote on the proposed constitution, articles of incorporation, and by-laws amendments for the Iowa Lions Foundation (refer to page 4 of the March *Iowa Lion* issue for summaries of those changes). Delegate certification will be from 1:10 to 1:45 p.m. in the lobby outside the Oak Room. Delegates are certified by their individual district cabinet secretary. Reports from several state entities will be given at the business meeting, as well as the recognition of Warren Coleman Award recipients, Melvin Jones Fellows, Key Member Award recipients, Extension Award recipients, and Guiding Lions.

Mike Parker to be the banquet speaker

Motivational speaker Mike Parker will fire us up at the



MIKE PARKER

Saturday evening (6:00 p.m.) International Banquet as we head into a new year of service to our communities, state, and world. The International Banquet will feature many special awards: The G.E. “Bud” Klise Leadership Award, the Ralph A. Whitten Service Award, the Dave Stoufer Spark Plug Award, and International President’s Awards will climax the evening.

The **NEEDLEWORK FOR A CAUSE** effort will continue where colorful yarn magically is transformed by Lion men and women volunteers into small quilts of love to be given to critically ill children in Ronald McDonald Houses in Iowa. You can just donate yarn or volunteer to create the blankets of compassion. Contact PDG Nancy Slack at 641-947-5043 with questions about this great program. We do this as a team at both the annual Mid-Winter Leadership Conference and State Convention. Donate your time and skilled hands to help children

in need. Dozens of these little blankets have been presented to the Ronald McDonald houses from Iowa Lions the past several years.

To honor all those who have followed International President Joe Preston’s request to “ASK 1”, every Iowa Lion who



has ASKED ONE will receive special recognition at the Saturday business session at 1:45 p.m. Be sure to indicate on your registration form that you have ASKED ONE and signed up a new member since July 1, 2014. Watch for a special colored name badge during the convention to see how many Iowans have ASKED ONE this year!

Please note: to help save you money, the Sunday morning session for state convention has been discontinued. The club officer/zone chair trainings will not be held at this year’s state convention, but instead will be provided in each of Iowa’s seven individual districts to bring the training closer to your home town.

A \$15 registration is required to attend the seminars and/or the official business session. Admission to meal functions and meal keynote speakers is available for a package price of \$80 per adult, OR you can purchase INDIVIDUAL MEAL tickets. A meal ticket must be purchased to hear the meal speakers/meal programs. All convention registrations must be received by Wednesday, May 27. No refunds after May 29, 2015. Meal speakers will all motivate you with success stories of how YOU change lives because of YOUR Lions service. The speakers will help Strengthen Your Pride.

Reduced room rates offered until May 21

Make your room reservations now at Cedar Rapids Marriott at 319-393-6600 or 800-396-2153: ask for the LIONS room block rate of \$99.00 plus tax for standard room or \$104.00 plus tax for a King Suite. **Room reservations must be made by May 21 directly with the hotel.**

A registration form is on page 23 of this edition. Convention registrations MUST BE RECEIVED BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 27. Mail your registration to PCC Jerry Inman, 224 Country View Drive, Mechanicsville, IA 52306.

Advertisement space in the convention program book is available at \$25 for half page, \$40 for whole page. **THE DEADLINE FOR PROGRAM BOOK ADS IS MAY 1.** Payment in full is due at the time the ad is submitted. **Send your ads to both** PID Dave Stoufer at ftroop@iowatelecom.net and PDG Zane Vokes at lionzane@me.com. Mail your checks payable to Iowa Lions State Convention to PDG Zane Vokes, 9894 Sunset Terrace, Clive, IA 50325. Show your Lion pride by promoting your club or district events, or say thank you to a special Lion in your club or district.

Join fellow Lions in Cedar Rapids to “Strengthen the Pride,” and go home to focus on personal growth and success in helping others. Don’t miss this INSPIRING weekend!

First annual Iowa camp for Leo Club members July 30-August 2

By State Leo Chair PDG Kathy Rhinehart

The first annual Iowa Leo Camp will be held July 30 through August 2 at the Wesley Woods Church Campground just outside Indianola. This camp is for high school age Leos or those contemplating becoming a Leo to find out more about what Leos can do.

We will have a little history lesson, project and activity ideas, running a successful meeting, leadership, opportunities for Leos and more. Our other activities will include horseback riding, archery and swimming which will all be supervised by the church camp staff. Permission slips from the parents must be filled out for these pursuits. There is a nurse there 24/7 for anyone needing her services and to keep all medications safe for you.



This will be a great opportunity to meet other Leos and gather ideas for your club. The Lions helping with the camp will have a background check and the church staff have already been checked. I will be contacting the area Lion clubs to see if they would be willing to cook and serve a meal as one of their service projects and to get to know some of our future Lions.

To save the landfill from extra garbage, I have plastic dishes and real silverware that will be washed after every meal. The cost of the camp will be \$100 per person and each one will need to bring his or her own bedding, towels, and a lawn chair for sitting around the campfire. The cabins have air-conditioning with the bathrooms and showers next door.

I will be sending out more detailed information to the Leo Advisors and the forms to fill out. I am really looking forward to seeing you at camp.



These cheerful, industrious Leo Clubs representatives pose while working on a special project at the 2015 Mid-Winter Conference. They packed numerous useful small items in recycled eyeglass cases for distribution to children in poor regions of the world. State Leo Chair PDG Kathy Rhinehart directed the project.

Don't stand too close or you will be in the vortex!

By PDG Loren Claussen,
President, Lions Pin Traders Club of Iowa

Ever wonder what pin traders do other than trade/sell pins at Lions conventions? Well the times in between they attend pin swaps around the country. Yeah, they still trade a certain amount of pins they are collecting, but it's a friendship brotherhood too.

You see a lot of your Lion trading friends that you have a common bond with. It's just like when you go to conventions here in Iowa, but it's in another state. Lion Yogi and Lion Chuck go to five to six swaps a year, around the country. They travel to York, Pennsylvania; Nashville, Tennessee; Asheville, North Carolina; and Branson, Missouri just to name a few.

Midwest Pin Swap in Davenport, April 8-11

Next month the pin traders are coming to Davenport, Iowa and the Midwest Pin Swap. Nine states in the

midwest combine to host the event, and it is attended by pin traders from around the country. It will be held this year April 8-11 at the Clarion Hotel in Davenport on North Brady Street. Trading will take place on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday morning. Friday night will be a pin auction with approximately 154 lots of pins to be auctioned off.

Hospitality is a real plus for these events, as the evening food/drink is provided in your registration, and that's only \$40 for all three nights! Commemorative pins are also provided to remember your stay at the swap. This year the Ohio Pin Traders are the official host, with help from a few Iowa Pin Traders.

Want to check us out? Go to <http://www.litpc.org/index.html> and click on "Pin Trading Event" in the upper right hand corner of the home page and then click on *Mid-West Pin Swap*, and the registration form is there. C'mon, we dare you to join us in the vortex!

Iowa Lions Foundation

University of Iowa Cochlear Implant Center: HOW LIONS CHANGE LIVES

By Lion Jim Bixler and PDG Bob Willits,
Iowa Lions Foundation Trustees

The Lions of Iowa do great things to change people's lives. Imagine if you can a world without sound. Well the world of sound has been made possible through the Iowa Cochlear Implant Center. Changing people's lives happens there. It is through the Lions of Iowa support of the Iowa Lions Foundation that we continue the tradition of support for the entities for which you, the Lions of Iowa, have directed us over the years.

We are blessed in Iowa to have The University of Iowa Cochlear Implant Center, which offers support to pediatric and adult cochlear implant patients. This support includes initial diagnostic evaluations to determine candidacy, proper fitting of the cochlear implant, and continual follow-up support to ensure that the greatest benefit is derived from the cochlear implant. The Lions of Iowa were instrumental in the beginning stages. In 1982, LCIF and Iowa Lions together agreed to fund the establishment of what is now identified as the University of Iowa Cochlear Implant Center. Since those initial monies the Iowa Lions Foundation has continued its support of the Center.

In the beginning, first implants normally destroyed the hearing that the patient had in that ear, so the first implants were a gamble. New implants were developed. These new implants are called Hybrids, and these hybrids have much shorter electrodes that allow the person to keep the hearing that they have. Also, more importantly, they were suitable to implant them into small children as young as one year old. Studies have shown that the earlier a child is implanted, the easier it is for the child to learn and to speak normally.

An estimated 92 percent of children in the U.S.

are screened for hearing loss before they reach one month of age, and that three out of 1,000 children have been found to have a significant loss.

The University of Iowa hospital has been at the leading edge of cochlear implants. There has been an implant program here since 1981. They work with various companies to improve, design, and build better implant systems all the time. They are a leader in research and product testing. A few years ago approximately 80 to 88 implant surgeries were done at the U of I Hospital, but with the spread of the success of these new implants that number has grown

to over 120 last year, and probably will be more this year. Implant surgery is being done in major hospitals now worldwide.

New companies are springing up to develop new and smaller processors. The ones that the University Hospital uses are waterproof and shock-resistant. They have multi-channel capabilities and are compatible with electronic devices such as cell phones and I-pads.

About a year ago, after many years of testing, the Cochlear Implant was approved as a treatment. This makes it covered by all insurance, Medicare, and Medicaid. Isn't it great that we have a world class hospital right here in Iowa? Isn't it great that our foundation changes lives, helping to make Iowans' lives better through our charitable donations such as we make to the Cochlear Implant Center?

Let's finish this Lions year strong and review what we have given to change lives in our local communities and what we have given to change lives in our state of Iowa. Let's change more lives! State wide we the Lions Clubs have given about 60 percent of our collective foundation goal so that our entities can keep changing lives.

"We are blessed in Iowa to have The University of Iowa Cochlear Implant Center..."

Impactful speaker, record attendance, generous bidders add up to 3rd annual Iowa Lions Foundation Gala success

By Lion Phil Larabee, Gala Chairman

What a night at the 2015 Iowa Lions Foundation Gala! It was a night in which a record crowd listened to a most inspiring speaker, Ret. FDNY Lt. Joe Torrillo. Joe's story kept the audience on the edge of their seats and made us all remember that fateful day of 9/11/2001 ... the day in which the world stood still and watched the terror attacks across the eastern part of the United States of America.

The festivities were held at the Double Tree Convention Center and Hotel in downtown Cedar Rapids, Saturday, Feb. 28. This facility was recently reopened after the

devastating floods of 2008 in Cedar Rapids. The facility, including the hotel, was totally renovated. Double Tree Convention and Hotel management was so impressed with the Iowa Lions that a representative traveled to Ames to visit about future Iowa Lions functions.

Support awards presented

Master of Ceremonies Phil Larabee presented three outstanding support awards. The first award went to Lion Roger Allen. Roger has always helped the Iowa Lions Foundation Committee by allotting ample room in the Iowa Lion magazine to keep Iowa Lions updated on the Gala. Roger is also planning to retire soon and the Gala committee wanted to honor him for all of his help.

The second outstanding support award went to Lion Don Maynes. Very few people know that over the past six months, Council Chair Don has been working to build the Legacy Giving program for the Iowa Lions Foundation. This process he has been working through has taken a significant amount of time. If the Legacy Giving program is fully implemented, it is estimated the Iowa Lions Foundation investment fund could grow by up to 700% over the next 25-plus years. The Iowa Lions Foundation fund will need to grow significantly over those years just to keep up with rising costs and how much our supported entities will need.



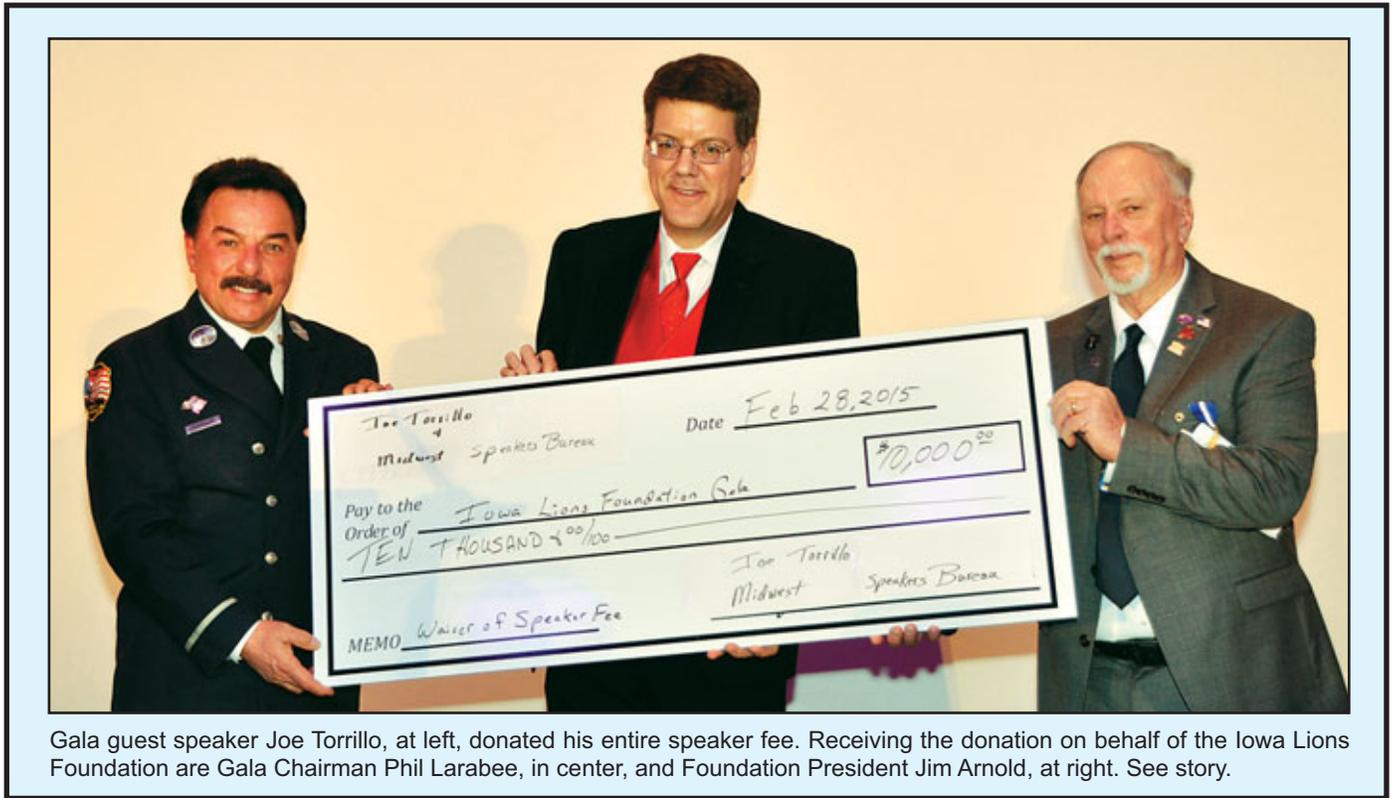
Silent auction bidding may have been silent on the bid sheets but the many tables of appealing items up for bid generated lots of interest and lots of conversation - and a nice boost to the treasury of the Iowa Lions Foundation.



Roger Allen, editor of The Iowa Lion, in center, poses with an Outstanding Support Award presented to him at the Gala by master of ceremonies Phil Larabee, at left, and Jim Arnold, president of the Iowa Lions Foundation.



Council Chair Don Maynes, at right, receives an Outstanding Support Award at the Gala, presented by Master of Ceremonies Phil Larabee, at left, and Jim Arnold, president of the Iowa Lions Foundation, in center. See story for significant details.



Gala guest speaker Joe Torrillo, at left, donated his entire speaker fee. Receiving the donation on behalf of the Iowa Lions Foundation are Gala Chairman Phil Larabee, in center, and Foundation President Jim Arnold, at right. See story.

The third outstanding support award went to our speaker, Ret. FDNY Lt. Joe Torrillo. Joe donated his entire speaker fee to the Iowa Lions Foundation Gala -- the largest donation in the history of the Gala. Joe donated his entire speaker fee of \$10,000 after Joe and his wife watched the Iowa Lions Foundation DVD "The Dream." The only fee the Gala has to pay is the cost of getting Joe to and from Cedar Rapids.

Over \$12,000 is expected benefit to Foundation

The evening included a large number of items sold via the silent and live auctions. The Gala committee was "very happy" with how these sales went. At this time, the committee is waiting for one final bill to be received but are estimating the Gala made \$12,000 plus for the Foundation.

The Gala committee would like to thank everyone for their support and for the items donated.

Date & location set for 2016 Gala

The date for the 2016 Iowa Lions Foundation Gala has been moved forward one week to February 20. The Gala Committee has reserved the Ballroom at The Hotel at Kirkwood Center, Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids. The Gala will start at 5:30 p.m. (note new time) because of a prior event this day at the Center. The committee will soon announce the speaker/entertainment for the 2016 Gala.



Volunteer Auctioneer Matt Duggan works for bids during the Gala live auction - in this instance for a lion-decorated retired Iowa KidSight camera that had been turned into a lamp.



Craig Lampe of Monticello was the successful, generous bidder for a NYFD photo donated by retired NYC fireman Joe Torrillo, at left. Lampe said he had been a volunteer fireman for 31 years.

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Greetings from Down Under

Well, it's Spring again and things are starting to get green. Speaking of green, this quarter is President Preston's emphasis on the environment. One thing that is "close to my heart" in Belle Plaine is water (or lack of it). The past couple of drought years have been hard on our communities' wells, and we have been on some water restrictions. This creates some inconvenience, and I really think everyone should do more to conserve fresh water. For example, do you really have to take a ten-minute shower when six minutes would do just as well? When brushing your teeth, do you just let the water run while brushing? There are many ways I could list, but I think you get the idea. Be aware of the many ways that water can be saved.

Another thing that really helps the environment is recycling. Call me weird, but I even save the plastic cups, etc. from McDonald's that can be recycled. I firmly believe that little things like that, from a whole lot of people (Lions), can really help clean up the environment and conserve resources. I also believe in eliminating vehicle gas consumption wherever possible. Maybe you could walk a few blocks uptown for coffee instead of driving. Again, "food for thought."

Many thanks again to Lion Mike Farmer of the Cedar Falls club and Principal Financial Group of Des Moines. The very generous gifts of funds to Iowa KidSight and the Santori Hospital Foundation in Cedar Falls are very impressive indeed!

Before I forget it, make sure you get your club officers for next year elected soon, if you haven't done this already. Then also the Secretary must submit this officer info not only to LCI, but also to the State Office in Ames **by mid-May!** This is very

helpful to getting the Who's Who booklet published, and if at all possible, include the complete address, phone #, cell phone # and email of each officer.

State Convention is coming up the first weekend of June, so try to attend it. It's fairly convenient for us in 9NE, since it is in Cedar Rapids at the Marriott. It's a really great place, and a lot of fun and interesting things happen at this convention. Training will be offered there for new club officers also.

And don't forget our last cabinet meeting on June 17 at the Independence "Three Elms" Golf Course. There will be an "alternate shot" golf tournament with it also, followed by dinner and last business meeting for this Lions year. The sign up info is in this issue, as well as in next month's issue. Because of the timing of getting this issue to Roger Allen in time, pictures and other news about our District Convention will appear in the May issue of THE IOWA LION. Hopefully I can report it was a great success, and thanks to all the Lions from Vinton and elsewhere who contributed time and effort to it. We all really appreciate it!

And now to the eternal theme of membership. As of March 1, our district was at -22. That means we have 22 fewer members than March 1 of last year. That's not good. In addition, it has been brought to my attention that several district clubs have not reported their Monthly Membership Report to LCI in a long time (even several years!). If your club has gained members who have not been



Pictured above are Lions at the Fredericksburg zone meeting being instructed on the use of the new KidSight camera by Lion Gary Chambers.



Pictured above are Lions enjoying the meal at the zone meeting in Shellsburg in Feb.

reported, that means that International, State and District Lions are being cheated of dues money, and that hurts the organization! Club Secretaries - please get this done if you haven't already. In a few cases, deceased Lions haven't been reported, so that means your club is paying dues for someone who isn't there anymore! Hopefully all Club Secretaries (and other officers) will see the need to have training. This is offered at our coming State Convention! And hopefully by the time you read this in mid-April, that negative number will have improved. Let's all "get on the bandwagon" and **ASK ONE & KEEP ONE!** 'Nuff said.

In Remembrance

Lyle Koutny	Urbana
Paul Hasvold	Decorah
Vernon Melchert	Hopkinton
Richard Nicholson	Nashua

New Members

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Vicky Nickel	Belle Plaine	Paul Nickel
Dennis Holbach Jr.	Hudson	Don Swanson
Matthew Jahnke	La Porte City	Gregg Pipho
Shane Neil	La Porte City	David Neil
Brandon Paine	La Porte City	Neal Keegan
Kirsten Busta	Lawler	Marla Busta
Nick Henningsen	Nashua	John Larsen
Alexandr Lavrenko	Postville	Blanca Schroeder

Club news

Belle Plaine Lions donated \$500 from the proceeds of the Feb. Pancake Breakfast to the Parks & Rec department to supplement the summer baseball/softball program for the community youth.

Cascade Lions donated \$500 to the Cascade EMS. They donated \$200 to Leader Dog. Over 200 kids have had KidSight screening to date. They will give out a scholarship to a Cascade Senior at the Senior Awards Banquet, and this has been done since 1988.

Cresco Lions held a Dad's Belgian Waffle meal on Feb. 22 at the local VFW.

Hopkinton Lions held a blood drive on Feb. 10 at the local Community Center.

Janesville Lions had their annual Valentine Party at Arnie's Steakhouse in Janesville, with 22 guests having a great time. It was noted that the old Janesville Ballroom will be inducted this year into the Iowa Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame.

Independence Lions did KidSight screenings since Dec. 15 at these schools: East Buchanan Preschool; WeeCare Preschool; Moser Preschool & Daycare; Kidsville. They

will be doing their annual Easter Pie Sale, and on April 19 is the Dad's Belgian Waffle Breakfast.

Waterloo Lions are having a used book sale on April 16-19 at the Crossroads Mall in Waterloo. Sale hours are the same hours as the mall. On Saturday of the sale, they will team up with the Cedar Valley Evening Lions to do KidSight screening. Money from the book sale goes to help those who need eyeglasses and hearing aids.

Waverly Lions had a frozen food sale that raised \$3400. Twenty-three Lions worked at this (284 hours) getting orders and distribution. The club donated \$150 to the Waverly Public Library for books for the 4-6 grade reading program. They donated \$300 to the Lions Youth Exchange Program.



DG Jack is pictured addressing Lions at the Shellsburg zone meeting. Seated are his wife, Judy, and Zone Chair Jim Arndt.

9NE LIONS "4th Annual Golf Outing"

Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at Three Elms Golf Course in Independence, Iowa

The 2015 Golf Outing will be a "Two-Person Alternate-Shot" event starting at 1:00 p.m. at Three Elms Golf Course on the east side of Independence. Cost per Two-Person Team is \$80 due at check-in on the 17th (includes cart, green fees and gifts). Registrations are DUE by June 8 to: PDG Stephen Becker, 1618 Lark Lane, Waterloo, IA 50701 -- fees to be paid at check-in, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

-- REGISTRATION FORM --

**9NE LIONS "4th Annual Golf Outing"
6-17-15 --- Three Elms in Independence**

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E-mail: _____

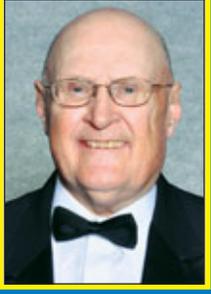
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E-mail: _____

\$80 DUE at Check-In.

Well, this is all for this month. Keep trying for new members, and don't forget to donate also to LCIF. After all, we are an international organization, and we do a lot of good for all the people of the world. Hope you all had a few good 'chuckles' at our district convention.

DISTRICT 9NW

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9NW District Lions News

Akron Lions Club: Donated to the High School FFA (Dec 2014) assistance to school. The FFA helps with our paper recycling project and we help the FFA by donating.

Le Mars, IA screened 63 children and 4 referred to eye specialist. Hawarden, IA screened 35 children and 3 referred to eye specialist. Akron, IA 48 children screened and 1 referred to and eye specialist.

Albert City Lions Club:

Auburn Lions Club:

Badger Lions Club:

Battle Creek Lions Club:

Boone Lions Club: Two Lions attended Midwinter Leadership Conference. Collected 51 pair of eyeglasses for recycling. Collected eyeglasses from various locations in Boone. Three Lions collected 200 pr eyeglasses from drop boxes. Donated pair of eyeglasses to one individual. Donated \$250 to Genesis Development for aid in recovery of flood damage to a home for their clients.

Carroll Lions Club: Members and spouses were invited to a special dinner meeting at the Santa Maria Winery with a tour of the winery being the program for the night. Screened 72 children at Carroll Community Schools. Members and Hy-Vee donated snacks and drinks to sell at concession stand on Saturday, Feb. 28. Members manned the booth from 8 to 3.

Cherokee Lions Club:

Churdan Lions Club: Meals on wheels.

Coon Rapids Lions Club:

Dayton Lions Club:

Emmetsburg Lions Club:

Everly Lions Club:

Fort Dodge Evening Club:

Fort Dodge Lioness Club:

Fort Dodge Noon Lions Club:

Grand Junction Lions Club:

Hartley Lions Club:

Jefferson Lions Club:

Lake View Lions Club:

Lehigh Lions Club:

Lemars Lions Club:

Lohrville Lions Club:

Madrid Lions Club:

Manson Lions Club:

Marcus Lions Club:

Merrill Lions Club:

Ogden Lions Club: City-wide pancake feed on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 20 and 21 respectively. Donations: American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" \$100 Ogden Boy Scouts \$250 Ogden Cub Scouts \$250 Ogden High School After Prom \$50 Ogden Community Scholarship Foundation \$100 American Legion "Money for the Avenue of Flags" Ogden Manor Bingo Prizes \$38 Leonard Good Community Library for Children's Books \$59 Boone County Family YMCA \$100. Provided cost of hearing aid mold so individual could receive hearing aid from Hearing Aid Bank - Iowa

Orange City Lions Club:

Paullina Lions Club:

Peterson Lion Club: 54 Members; 1 New Member, 1 Deceased: Raymond Doherty. Voted to give our Senior Center \$2,000 to help toward new roof. Voted to tile the flooring in the Lions Club Shelter House at the Pool Park \$5,000. Sponsoring a Catered Ladies Night in March. Gained a new member at February meeting: Dave Waterman.

Pocahontas Lions Club: On February 10 we had our Club Valentine Party at the Pizza Ranch. We invited spouses and special guests. We let our hair down, played game, etc. On Feb 14 Pocahontas Lions met at the Jim Bartosh home. We split into three teams of three each. We delivered almost 85 Valentine cookies to the shut-ins and people that live alone. We were welcomed and lightened the heart of our community residents.

Pomeroy Lions Club:

Remsen Lions Club:

Rippey Lions Club: Served hot roast beef sundaes and chili as a fundraiser for our local club. Brr ride stands for "Bike Ride to Rippey." It occurs annually on the first Saturday of February where bicyclists brave the cold Iowa weather for a 25 mile round trip.

Rockwell City Lions Club: Donations 01/26/2015 Prison Re Entry Team, \$300, Freedom Quilts \$75, Kitty Kottage \$100, Lions Memorial Brick \$100, Depot renovation \$100. 02/23/2015 Donated \$500 to help a Cub Scout with his project to attain his Eagle Scout Award.

Rolfe Lions Club: Our club prepared and delivered Christmas food baskets for deserving people in our community. Two Lions collected and distributed the baskets over a two hour period on December 13. The recipients were very grateful and those delivering were honored to be the ones chosen to distribute them. Relieving the Hunger campaign

Royal Lions Club: 16 Members

Sac City Lions Club:

Schaller Lions Club:

Sheldon Lions Club: Annual Banquet to honor local Peace Poster winners. Local first and second place winners and their parents treated to supper with our club. Students given a cash award from the club for their efforts. Number of Lions: 19. Donated half the proceeds of our omelet supper to the Ambulance team for equipment. Donated money

to provide professional examination and glasses for three Sheldon High School students who couldn't afford them.

Sioux City Lions Club: Sioux City Lions Club Awards Annual Charity Grants to serve Siouxland. The Sioux City Lions Club recently awarded \$12,350 in Charity Grants to six tax-exempt organizations in Siouxland.

Wall Lake Lions Club:

West Bend Lions Club: Five member of the West Bend Lions Club screened 23 children using one of the new digital cameras. They worked at two sites, the Wolverine Den Daycare and the West Bend Library. The 23 children is an

increase of three from the 20 screened in 2013. The morning was a huge success.

The West Bend Lions hosted a program about the Puppy Training program at the Fort Dodge Correctional Facility on January 12 at the West Bend Mallard School for the K-4 students in the Mallard building. Carol Ann Kirkbride presented the program to the students with the help of the six puppies she brought with her. The program was well received and very educational for the students. The West Bend Lions are very interested in the program and have helped sponsor three puppies so far.

Woodward Lions Club: January Breakfast report from Jan 11. No food was left over. Easter Egg Hunt April 4. Will have half price books. Peace Posters, will order poster kits before school start. Multiple Sclerosis Bike Ride will take place on June 27. Made several donations.



Madrid Lions member Gene Morning taking sausage out of the oven ready to serve at the Madrid club's Feb. 21 successful pancake breakfast. Scouts helped the Lions conduct the breakfast. The club's next big event was its Spring Fling on March 2. Madrid will host the 9NW Zone 9 unit meeting on April 7 at Snus Hill Winery.



Suzanne Schwendemann, Lord's Cupboard Coordinator, is shown receiving a \$250 check from Badger Lions Club Treasurer Jim Dexter.



Akron Lions Club presented a donation check for \$300 to their local FFA for helping load 17 tons from our Recycling Paper Barn. The net proceeds from selling the paper was \$1,165.52. From right: Club Secretary Bob Watson and PDG Stefan Sandberg presenting the check to FFA Advisor Jayln Havill (front). In back row L-R FFA members Matt Toben, Khaiile McLaughlin, Jonathan Twohig and Gage Tomlinson.



A great event took place in our District on December 9, 2014 when the grant check from LCIF was presented to the Sioux City Lions Club. As described in the "Iowa Lion" magazine, this grant, together with matching funds from the Sioux City Lions, will be used for the "Sensory Garden" part of the Shepherd's Park in Sioux City. Braille enhancements and many other features for people with loss of eyesight and hearing will be installed and we will report on the development of the park in future issues. Seen here from L-R are Project Leader PDG Tim Jacobs, Carol Smith from the Shepherd's Garden, Jane Hey (Master Gardener), DG Glenn Markley, Club President Sheryl Ford, Club Vice President Maria Rundquist and District Treasurer PDG Ray Halterman. Perhaps you remember the \$10,000 disaster grant our district received only 3 years ago when a tornado struck the community of Mapleton? Or the grant for a new Fire Truck in Peterson last year? LCIF is here for you so please remember LCIF when your club donates to a worthy cause this year.

DISTRICT 9SE

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CENTENNIAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Lions Clubs International rolled out a new Centennial Membership Awards Program on April 1. This program includes special awards for Lions who recruit new members during the years leading up to the Lions Centennial celebration, as well as awards for clubs who have positive growth during this time. To learn more about these very special awards, search for “Centennial Membership Awards” in the search box at www.lionsclubs.org.

WORLDWIDE WEEK OF SERVICE: HELPING CHILDREN

Remember, the Worldwide Week of Service is May 16-22. I ask that all clubs in the district have some sort of service project that helps children during this time.

You can also do a project that helps relieve hunger or is an environmental project. Take pictures of your projects and share them with me. Please send them to my e-mail (listed above) and if you post them on Facebook or Twitter, use the hashtag #Lions100 and LCI



will share them on the LCI Facebook page.

Steps for participating are:

1. Plan your project – Host a service project that benefits youth, hunger or the environment during the week of May 16-22. Get project ideas at www.lionsclubs.org and search “Worldwide Week of Service”. There are also sample press releases.
2. Share your project – Invite your community to serve with you to showcase your club and the power of service.
3. Report your project – Report your service project at MyLCI and earn a Centennial Banner Patch for your club.

SECRETARIES: DO NOT FORGET TO FILE YOUR CLUB OFFICERS REPORTS

It's easy to file your club's Club Officers Report (PU-101) early on MyLCI. Under the Officers Menu, choose “Select Term” then choose “Next Year.” Once you've selected which members are your officers, you are all finished. If you file it before May 1, the Iowa Lions state office will also be able to pull your club information updates from there. Make sure the officers have current e-mail addresses listed in their membership profiles so LCI can send them important updates during the year. Also, double-check your meeting times and locations so they can be updated in the Who's Who.

The Morning Sun Lions and Lioness clubs held their annual Valentine's Banquet on Feb. 14. The Morning Sun Lions Club surprised Club President Roger Samuels



(pictured with District Governor Debbie Doty) with a Warren Coleman Honorary Award. Club Secretary PDG Hoyt Griffin also surprised his wife, Lion Linda Griffin



(pictured together with DG Debbie), by presenting her with a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award by the club.

Strengthening the Pride

AGENCY – Delivered fruit plates to homebound and nursing home residents from Agency and Ottumwa area at Christmastime; received Membership Satisfaction Award for 2013-2014 year for Past President Mark York.

COLUMBUS JUNCTION – Donated partial fee for sending local diabetic child to Camp Hertko Hollow; made donations to Camp Hertko Hollow, LCIF and Iowa Lions Foundation.

DANVILLE – Held a blood drive.

FORT MADISON – Hosted high school wrestling qualifiers at a club meeting, where they spoke about their years of competing; purchased tickets for two local policemen to attend the Iowa Lions Foundation Gala; held a KidSight screening.



FREMONT – Fremont Lions Club presented its 32nd annual Community Theatre over Valentine’s weekend. Participating in the production of “No Body Like Jimmy” were: (back row) Mindy Archer, Ryan Keep, Ed Sullivan, Tim Thornbrugh, Scott Bethune, Missy Parmentier, Sharon Van Ringelestein, Jon Herr, (middle row) Martha Scharff, Dollie Horn, Christina Kime, Jeanene Calhoun, Sherri Baxter, Sandy Eckley, (front row) Paul Horn, Marge Holliman, Bill Ward, Mark Hansen, Missy Gingrich, and (lying on floor) Riley Calhoun. The money raised will go toward scholarships awarded by the Fremont Lions Club.

IOWA CITY – Sponsored youths to the Lions Clubs International Youth Exchange camps; assisted six people with the purchase of eyeglasses; processed recycled eyeglasses for redistribution.

LONE TREE – Made a three-year commitment to donate \$150 per year to the Leader Dogs for the Blind Building Fund project; held the 31st annual Fish and Frozen Food Sale; donated \$150 to Camp Courageous.

MELCHER-DALLAS – Aided the Parent-Teacher Organization with Fun Night activities for children of the community; produced a community newsletter.

MILTON – Collected 50 pairs of recycled eyeglasses.

OSKALOOSA – Made plans for the district convention; conducted a rescreening for KidSight at New Sharon Day Care and scheduled a KidSight screening for Kindergarten Roundup; met with two individuals requesting eyeglass and hearing aid assistance.

OTTUMWA– Boxed up 1,675 pairs of eyeglasses and delivered them to the regional eyeglass recycling center in Pella; held an annual membership drive with the theme “Still We Serve.”

PACKWOOD – Held its annual Pork Loin Dinner on Super Bowl Sunday; sponsored a blood drive collecting 18 units of blood.

PELLA – Donated \$500 to Habitat for Humanity, \$500 to IRIS Radio Reading, \$400 to Families First of Pella, \$500 to Good Samaritan Free Clinic, \$500 to Hospice of Pella and \$225 to Crossroads of Pella; processed recycled eyeglasses for redistribution.

RICHLAND – Held its annual soup supper, giving the profits to Pekin Ministerial Association for helping the needy in the community.

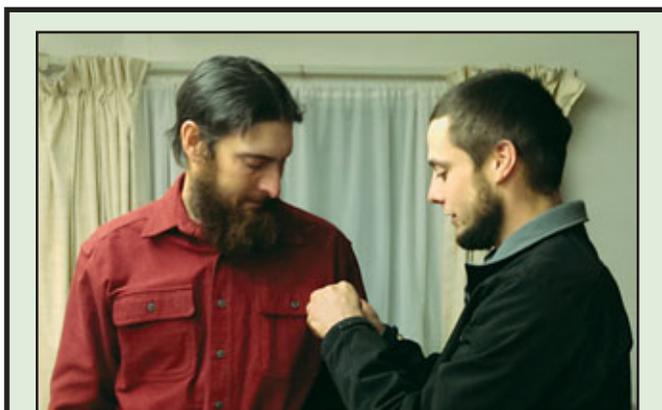
SIGOURNEY – Collected recycled newspaper from the community; made donations to Sigourney High School’s After Prom and the Iowa Lions Foundation.

WEST CHESTER – Purchased a 5-gallon ice cream freezer, with the help of a grant from the Riverboat Foundation.

WINFIELD – Donated \$1,500 to the local youth recreation league to purchase new soccer equipment and basketballs; assisted the Winfield Cub Scouts in running their pinewood derby.

Want your club’s activities listed in The Iowa Lion? Have your club secretary file the monthly activity report online by the 5th of the following month at MyLCI and e-mail photos to debbie@dotypc.com. Be sure photos are in high resolution so they are usable for print and include the first and last names of people in the picture.

<i>Welcome New Members</i>		
<i>Member</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>
<i>Tim Diers</i>	<i>Lockridge</i>	<i>Ted Diers</i>
<i>Anita Miller</i>	<i>West Chester</i>	<i>Linda Leonard</i>
<i>In Memoriam</i>		
<i>Mary Ann Woodburn</i>	<i>Iowa City</i>	
<i>Donald H. Saxton</i>	<i>Oxford</i>	



Lion Ted Diers (right) places a new Lions member pin on his brother, Tim Diers during a meeting of the Lockridge Lions Club. District Governor Debbie Doty inducted new members during her official visit to the club. Ted had invited his brother, Tim, as a guest to the meeting as part of the Ask 1 campaign.

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Notes from your District Governor

We are in the last three months of our Lion year. It is time for your club to give one last push to leaving your club better than when we started the year. Have you worked to provide more service to your community? Have you taken steps to ensure your club will be here years from now still giving back? I would like to challenge every club to add at least one new member before the end of June. The more members we have the more we can serve our communities.



Has your club made a donation to the Iowa Lions Foundation yet? If not why? Our foundation supports seven different groups. Each of these groups touches lives of those within our district. Our District has pledged to raise \$28,000, which is about \$20.00 per member. If you have already made a donation consider giving more if your club can support it. For each \$1,000 your club donates you can recognize a member with the Warren Coleman Honorary Award. What better way to recognize one of your members for the things they do to help your club follow our motto "We Serve." When your club donates money to the Iowa Lions Foundation it benefits your communities so please consider donating if you have not already done so.

Save these Dates

- **April 25:** 2015 Zone Chair Training, Neola and Osceola
- **June 4-5:** 2015 State Convention, Cedar Rapids, IA
- **June 13:** 2015 Secretary and Treasurer Training, Panora, IA
- **June 13:** District Cabinet meeting Panora, IA
- **June 26-30:** International Convention, Honolulu, Hawaii
- **July 24-26:** 2015 Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute, Jamestown, N.D.



I would like to welcome Lion Ken Klemish to our District Governor Team. Lion Ken, at left above, was elected in March at a special election of the Past District Governors and the current cabinet for our district.

At the last cabinet meeting on June 13 in Panora I will be providing a meal to thank all that have supported me this year. It will be my way to thank my Cabinet, those who received a DG Coin, sponsored a new member, new members, and those who will serve on DG Dean Brant's Cabinet next year. It will also be open to those attending training for secretaries and treasurers training which will also be offered beforehand. For those who will be attending and would like to attend the luncheon please RSVP by June 10 by sending an email to DG Pat at PARKERLC@NETINS.NET so I can track how many to prepare for. This meal will be free for those who attend.

TRAINING

If your club has not submitted names for next year's officers yet please do so ASAP, as we are planning training and would like to invite them to the different training events.

The district is looking at holding two different trainings for zone chairs on April 25. We will be holding training in Neola and Osceola so zone chairs have a choice of location to attend.

Before the last cabinet meeting June 13 at 10:00 a.m. in Panora we will be providing training for secretaries and treasurers. I would like to encourage all secretaries and treasurers for next year to attend. For those who have not attended this training it will help teach you how to report membership, club activities, and how to navigate

My LCI for reporting and ordering club supplies. For those who have done these jobs before I would still like you to attend so you see what has changed and to help share any issues you have dealt with.

At DGE Dean Brant's first cabinet meeting in July or August he will be planning training for Club Presidents and Membership Chairs.

RECOGNITION

I would like to recognize four clubs in our district that received the Club Excellence award for last year. These clubs were recognized at the last cabinet meeting by IPDG Mary Porter with a banner patch from International.

Some things these clubs had to do to qualify were officers attend training, have positive membership, donate to LCIF, and do service projects in their community. **Congratulations to Creston, Neola, Panora, and Stuart.**

CLUBS PROVIDING SERVICE in January and February

ADAIR – provided music during dinner hour at two nursing homes, donated \$100 each to Leader Dogs, LCIF, Iowa Lions Eye Bank, and Iowa KidSight.

ADEL – donated \$200 Camp Courageous, \$100 After Prom Party, \$938 to ADM School Libraries, and \$3,000 to Boy Scout Troop 152. Pledged \$1,000 per year for three years to Adel Good Samaritan Food Pantry.

AUDUBON – cooked and served pancakes and sausage to local nursing home residents. Donated \$350 to buy food for third world countries.

COUNCIL BLUFFS – screened 200 kids for KidSight and hosted a free clinic for eye screening and glasses to 25 residents.

CRESTON – held a spud supper and raised \$3,000.

DEXTER – collected food for the local food pantry.

EARLHAM – delivered meals for Meals on Wheels and started a fundraising effort for a cover over local park stage.

EXIRA – worked a blood drive, held a joint Christmas party with the Exira Spartan Leo Club, and served a pancake and sausage supper to local nursing home. Held a Valentines Dinner for the community and raised \$950.

EXIRA SPARTAN LEO – conducted a service project at Open Door Mission and provided personal Valentines for each and every resident at local retirement home.

GREENFIELD – Donated \$100 to the Greenfield Chamber/Main Street, \$250 to the Opera House, and an ice machine from

Welcome New Members

Name	Club	Sponsor
Shelli Lange	Adel	
Roger Richter	Orient	Barbra Zellweger
Terri Richter	Orient	Barbra Zellweger

Casey's General Store Corp. to Nodaway Valley Community High School. Working with the Orient Lions Club on a 5k run.

HARLAN – sponsored Food Bank of the Heartland supporting 142 families, delivered meals to shut-ins, sponsored Bidy Ball for elementary students, and assisted three people with getting glasses.

INDIANOLA – held a celebration to kick off their 85th year as a club.

INDIANOLA EVENING – held a joint meeting with the Indianola Lioness Club.

INDIANOLA LIONESS – held a joint meeting with the Indianola Evening Club.

JAMAICA – Sold ads for a local birthday calendar given to residents each year.

LINDEN – held a pancake breakfast and raised \$400 for Camp Hertko Hollow.

MARTENSDALE – collected items for food pantry.

MASSENA – ran concession stand for the middle school basketball and volleyball games and collected food items for Table of Mercy Organization.

MOUNT AYR – hosted residents and staff of the Ringgold County Group Home to supper at Subway.

NEOLA – started a youth library for the Community Center, screened 70 kids for KidSight, cleaned the can kennel, and made and sold 140 pizzas for a fundraiser to raise funds for scholarships.

NEW VIRGINIA – donated the use of Lions Hall to the little league ball team for a fundraiser.

OSCEOLA – sponsored a community blood drive, assisted two individuals with hearing aids, donated \$40 to Clarke County Fair Board, and \$500 to their club president's wife for help with medical bills.

PERRY – held a breakfast fundraiser for BRR! Bicycle Ride and raised \$1,200.

STUART – donated \$100 to LCIF and supported a local blood drive.

TINGLEY – donated \$100, healthy snacks, and volunteered to tutor for a local After School Program.

VILLISCA – held an awards night for members and started planning a Hot Beef Dinner Fundraiser for March.



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My Fellow Lions,

9NC Website. Are you checking our 9NC District website? Please do! You will find photos of our Lions members and information about coming events. Something new I am adding is a list of our zones, with the names of the clubs in each zone and our zone chairs. If you are unsure which zone you are in, here is a place to go to find out. Don't hesitate to call your zone chairs, or me, if you need further information. The address for our website is iowalions9nc.org. Please let me know if you would like to add something to the website.

Spring Convention. A reminder that our 9NC Spring Convention is coming up April 17 and 18 at St. James Lutheran Church in Mason City. Our special guests will be Past International Director Marvin Chambers and his wife, Lynne, of Fillmore, Saskatchewan, Canada. A registration form is on the next page. I ask that each club bring their club banner and a raffle gift. Let's make it 100 percent attendance from all our clubs!

Lions Centennial. Lions Clubs International, which includes all of our clubs, is celebrating our organization's centennial in 2017. To that end, clubs are being asked to perform 100 million hours of service from July 2014 through Dec. 31, 2017. To date, Lions have helped 20 million people worldwide. How do we know that? Because club secretaries are logging the number of service hours their clubs perform each month on the MyLCI website. This is one reason it is important for secretaries to log in this information each month. In Iowa, we know that not all clubs conducting the Iowa KidSight preschool eye screenings are reporting this on the website. It is essential that we do this. Secretaries unable to do these reports are asked to enlist help from a club member.

Bus trip May 2 to Coralville. The Mason City Evening Lions Club has arranged a bus trip to Coralville on Saturday, May 2 to visit the Iowa Lions Eye Bank and Iowa KidSight programs. The 55-passenger bus will leave at 7 a.m. from the Sears parking lot on South Federal Avenue in Mason City and will return between 4-5 p.m. Assuming the bus is full, cost is \$20 per person, which includes a small tip for the driver. Lunch will be "Dutch treat" in Coralville-Iowa City. Please consider joining in on this great trip to learn

more about these vital Lions programs. To reserve your seat on the bus or to request further information, call Geri Barker at 641-423-5525 or email her at barker@jumpgate.net. Spouses and friends are welcome.

Worldwide Week of Service. Iowa Lions are invited to join Lions around the world in serving children in need during Worldwide Week in Service in May. District 9NC clubs are challenged to consider hosting a project to help children in your communities in May. When you sponsor a service project benefiting youth, vision, hunger or the environment, your club can earn a special Centennial Banner Patch. To earn the patch, your club secretary must report your club's activities through MyLCI.

Remember the environment in April. April is a good month to plan an environmental project, such as cleanup, tree-planting or recycling. Report your project on MyLCI and earn a Centennial Banner Patch for your club.

PDG Jerry Tweeten of Forest City continues to make great strides in his recovery from a fall in January. Friends may continue to write to him at On With Life, 715 S.W. Ankeny Road, Ankeny, IA 50023.

Club visits. To the clubs that I have not yet visited, please contact me as soon as possible to arrange for a visit. You can reach me at 641-424-9631, my cell phone at 641-420-9615 or my email at kbuehner15@hotmail.com. I will do my best to

Welcome New Lions!

Member	Club	Sponsor
Donovan Sharp	Clear Lake Noon	Eldon Pyle
Karen Anderson	Clear Lake Lions Pride	Dale Entner
Kristina Chmielewski	Clear Lake Lions Pride	Kristi Wilcke
Dotty Nordman	Clear Lake Lions Pride	Dale Entner
Jerry Butt	Dows	
Mary Echelberger	Dows	Norman Peyton
Richard Echelberger	Dows	Norman Peyton
Pam Odland	Dows	Matthew Trainum
Sara Ell	Eagle Grove	Andrea Lee
Kelli Feske	Eagle Grove	Becky Wachowiak
Donna Madson	Eagle Grove	Nancy Strub
Denise Schumacher	Eagle Grove	Becky Wachowiak
Christopher Caswell	Forest City Breakfast	Timothy Miller
Daniel Feistner	Humboldt	Elwin Hodges
Mickey Hatcher	Humboldt	Elwin Hodges
Bob Miles	Manly	
Holly Miles	Manly	
Shawna Kattrhenry	Mason City Evening	Allen Watkins
Rose Davis	New Hartford	Richard Young
Buffy Ramon	Nora Springs	Kizzy Jansen
Alicia Schmitt	Nora Springs	Megan Blickenderfer
Bill Shafer	Nora Springs	Roger Blickenderfer
Caci Jo Walker	Nora Springs	Sarah Avery
Tami Young	Nora Springs	Adam Morud
Kathy Heeren	Nora Springs	Henry Heeren

work one of your meetings into my schedule. I would love to meet each and every one of you and to thank you personally for all you are doing on behalf of Lions Club.

Club activities. I have been so impressed with the level of service being conducted by the clubs in 9NC during my club visits. I have learned that a club does not have to be large to be very active in the community! My concern is that so many of you are not alerting me to your activities by filing the monthly reports online at MyLCI. I check these reports each month when listing the Club News that you see below. I also check for membership information to see which clubs have inducted new members. Please do not hesitate to contact me personally with information for the newsletter, including news about members who have died. We want this newsletter to reflect all of our clubs.

Membership gains. One of my goals as district governor is for each club to achieve a positive growth of at least one this year, July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015. Please note in this month's report on new Lions members that four clubs have done an outstanding job of recruitment in recent weeks: Clear Lake Lions Pride and the Dows Lions Club each have three new members, Eagle Grove has four new members and Nora Springs has welcomed six new members. To all of you who have inducted new members since July 2014, I offer my congratulations on a job well done!

STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE: CLUB NEWS

The Allison Lions Club served 120 at a soup supper in February. Sugar Daddy's Big 10 Band provided a concert after the supper. A portion of the proceeds from the event will help support the musical entertainment at Wilder Park, which includes a free concert by the Glenn Miller Band at 7 p.m. Sunday, June 14.

The Eagle Grove Lions Club performed Iowa KidSight screenings for 25 kindergarten children in February.

In March, **the Garner Lions Club** worked the concession stands at the newly restored Avery Theatre and cleaned the theater.

The Humboldt Lions Club hosted a Valentine party and auction in February, raising \$495 for the Tail Twister Fund. The auction featured items handmade by Lion members. Humboldt Lions also gathered and purchased items to fill baskets that were delivered to Humboldt care facilities. The club also held its annual soup supper, featuring chili and chicken noodle soup.

Lions We Have Lost

Lion Donald W. Mathiason, age 101, a charter member of the Rowan Lions Club, died Dec.1, 2014. He had received the Distinguished Lions Club Award, International President's Award for Service and the Warren Coleman Award.

Lion John Hamilton, 53, was president of the Titonka Lions Club when he died suddenly on Valentine's Day 2015.

Past District Gov. Bill Schrader of Garner died Feb. 15, 2015. He served as District Governor in 1992-1993.

We will dearly miss these Lions and will always be grateful for their service.

The New Hartford Lions Club held a fish fry and an omelet breakfast in March. The club also held a fish fry in February.

The Nora Springs Lions Club showed free family movies in February and March at the Nora Springs Lions Community Center. In February, the movie was "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory." The March movie was "Camp Nowhere." The club also supplied free popcorn and lemonade for movie-goers.

The Stanhope Lions Club sponsored its annual pancake supper in February, raising \$1,000.

9NC Spring Convention

REGISTRATION FORM

April 17-18, 2015

St. James Lutheran Church

Mason City, IA

1148 Fourth St. S.E.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express,
3041 Fourth St. S.W., Mason City, IA
Room rates: \$128.79 (tax included) for a
standard room with queen bed.
Reservations: Call 641-424-1200. Ask for
Lions Club or Lions District Convention.

*Reservations required by Wednesday, March 25 to be
included in the Lions rate and block of rooms.*

Friday's event begins with registration at 6 p.m.
Meal and entertainment begin at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday's event begins with registration and
refreshments at 8 a.m. Cabinet meeting at 8:15 a.m.
Informational presentations of interest will begin at
9:30, followed by a noon luncheon and program.

Name _____

Spouse/guest _____

Club name _____

District _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____

Email address _____

Cost: Both days: \$35
Friday only: \$15 Saturday only: \$20
Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Send to: Lion David Dannen
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Registration may also be paid at the door.
Checks payable to Lions District 9NC.

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Spring has Arrived

To show how confident I am of spring's presence the lawnmower is already tuned for the green grass.

District Convention

April 24 and 25

at the Longbranch Hotel and Convention Center
 90 Twixt Town Rd, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
 800-780-7234

Our district convention international guest is International Director Don Shove and his wife Sunny from Everett, Washington. Everyone has worked hard this year and now is the time to honor those individuals and clubs.

This year in lieu of clubs bringing door prizes, let's bring a bag of dog food or cash equivalent for our Leader Dog puppy program in our correctional facilities. The brand is Purina Pro Plan Sport All Stages of Life Chicken and Rice 26/16.

Friday evening the district cabinet meeting begins at 5 p.m. Any Lion is welcome to attend. We will adjourn to the Cedar Rapids Noon Lions' 95th celebration with dinner, entertainment and fun.

Saturday morning International Director Don will bring us up to date on the international board activities.

Immediately following ID Don's presentation, Monarchs of Eastern Iowa representatives Andria Cossolotto and Patty Ankrum will present **Planting the Seed for Monarchs**. Patty is the co-founder of Monarchs in Eastern Iowa. Last year these two helped to raise awareness of the Monarch cause in several communities. They played a role of raising hundreds of Monarchs and increasing their habitat.



What Lions clubs communities can do to help the cause of Monarch Butterflies will be a district convention session topic.

Patty and former Marion resident & IU graduate, Debbie (McCleary) Jackson, Monarch Watch Conservation Specialist for Michigan & the Northeast U.S., recently returned from a trip to Mexico visiting several preserves and sanctuaries where the Monarchs over winter. Photos from the trip will be displayed. My wife, Liz, hopes Lions clubs' communities will become Waystations for the monarchs to rest on their migrations and apply for Waystation recognition by Monarch Watch and obtaining the sign noting this.

Partner in Service Sunny Shove will discuss the role of women in Lions. A presentation by Maggie Tinsman on Braking Traffic, will deal with the scourge of sex slavery trade in our state, nation and around the world. While serving in the Iowa State Senate for 18 years she championed and introduced legislation to make human trafficking a felony in Iowa. After leaving the legislature she formed Braking Traffik, an organization dedicated to eradicating sex trafficking in Iowa and Illinois. In 2014 she again advocated for a second bill in the Iowa Legislature to strengthen the penalties and set up a victims' fund. International Director Don will be our luncheon speaker followed by the business meeting for the district.

Welcome New Lions

Member	Club	Sponsor
Connie L. Jacob	Bettendorf	Robert Jacob
William Scott Lindsley	Cedar Rapids Noon	Dennis Egel
Sue Klaas	DeWitt	Margaret Thiltgen
Duane J. Petsche	DeWitt	Robert Hansen
Jan L. Sebastian	Eldridge	Ann Baughman
Kathie Frisbie	Muscatine	Judy Shoultz
Russell E. Frisbie	Muscatine	Judy Shoultz
Patricia Joann Hatfield	Muscatine	Judy Shoultz
Duane F. Kurriger	Muscatine	Judy Shoultz
Kathy S. Kurriger	Muscatine	Judy Shoultz
John Young	Muscatine	Judy Shoultz
Andrew Boland	Walcott	Abigail Claussen
Larry Rummells	West Branch	Michael Quinlan



Alburnett Lions – Left to Right: Lion Marvin Sutton, Lions Roberta Carver and Lion James Carver. Marvin receives his Lion 50 year chevron; Roberta was awarded a Warren Coleman; and James received the Melvin Jones Fellowship from the Alburnett club at the annual awards banquet.

Club Activities

Alburnett: Conducted Market Day Sale fundraiser.

Andover: Hosted DG visit; presented a Warren Coleman award.

Andrew: Conducted Blood Drive with 13 units collected; read to Pre-school-5th grade completed the third reading incentive.

Bettendorf: Have screened 641 preschoolers for Iowa KidSight, planning for pancake supper/breakfast at the Middle School.

Blue Grass: Conducted blood drive with 24 units collected, transported cornea tissue for the Iowa Eye Bank.

Cedar Rapids Noon: Conducted screening of 301 preschoolers for Iowa KidSight, recycled 320 pairs of eyeglasses, provided 8 individuals with eyeglasses.

Clinton: Conducted screening of preschoolers with another Lions Club for Iowa KidSight, assisted with glasses for two adults.

Davenport B'fast: Hosted DG for breakfast, planning for golf outing, continuing with screening preschoolers for Iowa KidSight, planning for Candy Days, and Flag Project.

Davenport Host: Purchased eyeglasses and vision screening for 6 individuals.

DeWitt Nite: Donated \$250 to Camp Courageous, donated \$100 to after prom event, donated \$250 to Leader Dog Kennel Project, judged Cub Scout Cake Contest.

DeWitt Noon: Travelogue fundraiser, six high school students attended regular meeting as guest, transported cornea tissue for the Iowa Eye Bank.

Eldridge: transported cornea tissue for the Iowa Eye Bank, worked at the local food bank, conducted Iowa KidSight screening for preschoolers, attended the Iowa Foundation Gala.

Lost Nation: Donations to Midland Post Prom, Library Summer Reading Program and Camp Courageous. Stamps to Wounded Veterans Program, and conducted screening for preschoolers for Iowa KidSight.

Low Moor: conducted omelet fundraiser; conducted four Iowa KidSight screenings.

Lowden: Conducted a fundraiser with \$450 to the Lowden Fire Department, \$425 to Clarence Ambulance; donated paper products to Camp Courageous, conducted blood drive collecting 35 units; donation of \$50 to the Iowa Youth Exchange Camp.

Marion Noon: Collected 168 pairs of recycled eyeglasses, donation of \$75 to Lions Youth Exchange Camp.

Miles: Iowa Lions Youth Exchange.

Muscatine: Some members visited Bowling Green, KY while on vacation, conducted Iowa KidSight screening for preschoolers, volunteered at the local food bank, blood drive collecting 18 units.

Otter Creek Area: Conducted fish fry as fundraiser.

Park View: Donation of \$100 to Cub Scouts, visit by DG, after school club.

Preston: Sponsor a book per month from birth to age 5.

Stanwood: Screened 71 preschoolers for Iowa KidSight, donation of \$81 and paper products to Camp Courageous Vision Impairment Camp.

Tipton: Conducted benefits for individual in the community; assisted a fellow Lion member with wood cutting, Shared Blessing Meal at church, conducted a Sweethearts Night for spouses.

Walcott: Fundraiser serving sandwiches at farm sale; Screened 42 preschoolers for Iowa KidSight.

West Branch: Conducted Iowa KidSight screening for 34 preschoolers, fundraiser at concession stands at the University of Iowa sporting events.

District 9EC Convention

April 24 & 25, 2015

Long Branch Hotel & Convention Center
90 Twixt Town Road, NE
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402
(319) 377-6386

Registration: Friday 4:30-6:30 pm
Cabinet Meeting: Friday April 24, 2015 at 5 pm
Cedar Rapids Noon 95th
Anniversary & Awards Banquet 6:30 pm
Registration: Saturday 7:30 am
Saturday Seminars Start: 8:00 am

Name: _____

Club: _____ District: _____

Spouse/Guest: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Friday Night Banquet Number: ___ @ 24.00 = _____

Saturday Convention Number: ___ @ 30.00 = _____

Total \$ _____

Hotel Reservations: Call the Longbranch Hotel
(319) 377-6386

King rate \$89.99; Double rate \$99.99 Lions rate.

Mail to: Cedar Rapids Noon Lions

Attn: District 9EC Convention

Box 1881

Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406

Must be received by April 15, 2015

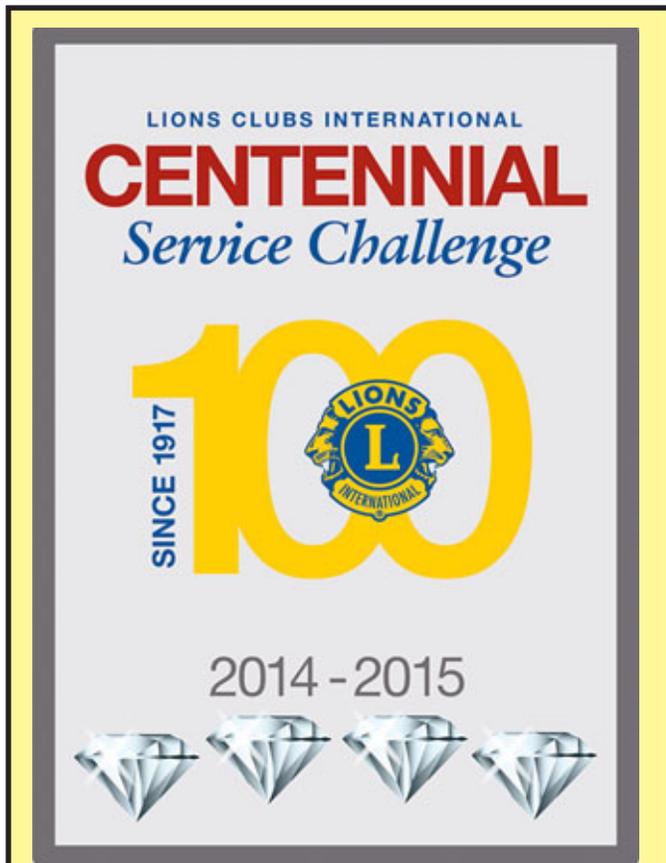
DISTRICT 9MC

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Notes from Your District Governor

Finally Spring is here and warmer weather is ours to enjoy. Are you planning Arbor Day activities? Have you got a cleanup service project set up? Make sure when you set these up we are taking pictures or better yet inviting local media people to attend. We must stay proactive in making our good works noticed. This I think will make our efforts to attract new members easier. Remember April is Membership Month and the second half of award recognition. If you had new members in October you will want to do your best to attract a few in April.



Two 9MC clubs have received their Centennial Service Banner Patches. Altoona and Nevada have already qualified in all four categories for Diamond Level achievements in Youth, Vision, Hunger and the environment.

I started in March marketing Lions in the Huxley area. If you have friends in that area please put in a good word for us. I will be sending another mailer in April to continue the introduction.

Having just finished our District Convention I won't have numbers yet as we went to press. We need to start planning to attend our State Convention in Cedar Rapids. Put it on your calendar: June 5-7.

Past District Governors will be meeting in Altoona, April 15 at 6 p.m. Last time we had it at the Lions Park Shelter. PDG Charlotte I hope you are bringing the food – PDG Dennis is tired of Romaine noodles.

PU101 time is here; we need to make sure you get the new officers put on the website. Also we need to get it in the Who's Who so the correct contact persons are getting sent Lions info.

Club Excellence Process (CEP): Now is the perfect time to do a Club Health Assessment. Also send a Community Needs Survey to your community leaders. You just might get new inspiration.

Family Diabetes Camp is Saturday, April 25. It is being held at the Y Camp outside of Boone. We need a couple of volunteers to help man the booth. Contact SA Tim at the state office if you can help.

The annual Ames Lions' Spring Turkey Dinner will be April 25 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Bethesda Lutheran Church. Tickets are \$12.00 in advance. Contact Dave or Sylva Williams at 515-233-3661; also at 4325will@mchsi.com

STORM SEASON IS HERE! It is the time of year that tornados and bad weather can pop up anytime ... so Club Presidents, be sure to exchange numbers with your County Emergency Management Coordinator. This is an important part of making our "LIONS ALERT PROGRAM" work for all of us if and when it's needed.

Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute is coming up again in July. The District has scholarships for the seminar, but you will need to get there and back. A good idea is to car pool. If you are interested please contact me, we have three so far.

9MC Club Activities

Altoona: Collected eyeglasses, Did Kidsight screenings, collect Pop Tops for Ronald McDonald house. Hosted District Convention.

Bondurant: Held annual Basketball Tournament and it was a success. Working with city to get funding for two local projects. Club will sponsor the 2015 Biking Bondu bike ride.

Green Mountain: Club made donations to LCIF, Iowa Lions Foundation, Leader Dog, Puppy Program, GMG after prom party, GMG 3rd grade Helmet program, and the Green Mountain First Responders. Great Job Lions!

Grinnell: Did KidSight screenings and donated \$300 to the KidSight program.

Marshalltown Evening: Continues Popcorn Popping fundraiser, Delivered Meals on Wheels, Provided 1 pair of glasses, donated to Youth Exchange.

Marshalltown Lioness: Working on annual Spring Card Party April 17 at the Midnight Ballroom. They remind everyone State Lioness Day is April 25 at Elmwood Country Club in Marshalltown.

Montezuma: Sponsored its 22nd annual Toy and Craft Show on Jan.31. February donations included \$200 to the local Ministerial Association to help a family who lost their home due to a fire. The club brought to a total of \$1925 its donation this year to the Iowa Lions Foundation and other supported programs including \$300 designated for the Puppy Program, \$200 to Camp Hertko Hollow, \$100 to the Lions camp at Camp Courageous and \$100 to the Iowa School for the Deaf. Recently \$500 was donated for the local Back Pack meals program for needy students. Recent programs were provided by Dr. J.B. Paulson, discussing Ebola and safe driving tips for senior citizens; by County Conservation Director Mark Vavroch about current projects; and by Harry Meek, local pest control business owner.

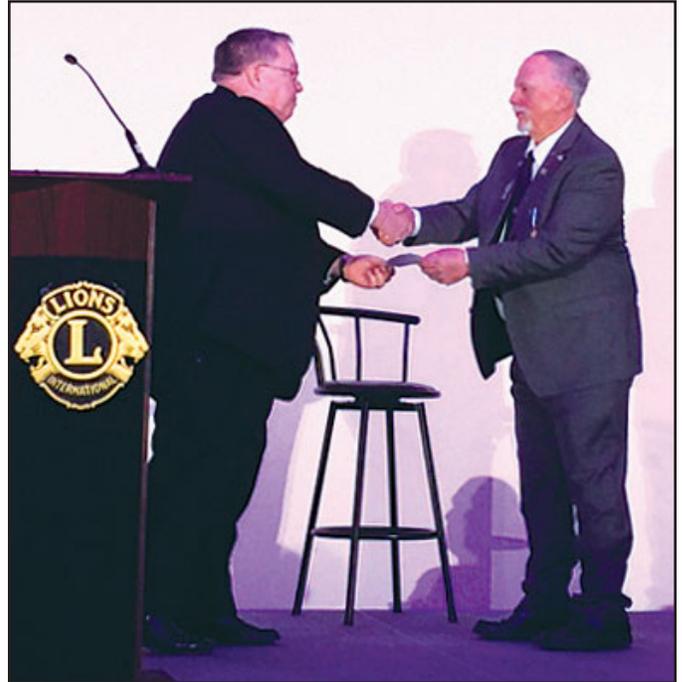
Pleasant Hill: Club is in mid-season in its bowling league. Currently working on its big summer event: 7th Annual Fishing Derby (which is June 6, 2015 at Copper Creek in Pleasant Hill) Also beginning preparation for club's 1st Semi-Annual Pleasant Hill Lions Club Garage Sale. The dates are Thursday and Friday, May 7 & 8 (7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, May 9 (7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.). This is being held at 445 Pleasant Circle in Pleasant Hill.

South Des Moines: Screened 375 kids so far. Provided 1 pair of glasses. Planning annual Pancake Breakfast April 18. The club purchased a grill to use for their pancake

breakfast and now will have it for rental. Contact club members for info.

Urbandale: Served pancakes and sausages to parents at Elementary School Fun Night. Picked up 404 pairs of eyeglasses and 14 hearing aids and delivered to state office. Members manned the ticket booth at the high school sporting events.

Urbandale Lioness: Raising money for Urban Harvest Garden. Planning Bake Sale April 19.



DG Pollard presents a check for \$2995.00 to Iowa Lions Foundation President Jim Arnold for the foundation at its Gala on Feb. 28 in Cedar Rapids.



DG Pollard visits with Joe Torrillo, the featured guest speaker at the Gala in Cedar Rapids on Feb. 28. The Gala is an annual fundraiser for the Iowa Lions Foundation. Torrillo is a retired lieutenant with the New York City Fire Department. He shared details of his experiences of rescuing people, then being buried twice in the collapse of the twin towers on 9/11/01.

The ALERT Program from the perspective of a small town mayor

By 9SW District Governor Patrick Parker,
Mayor of Panora, Iowa

As the mayor of my town it is my responsibility to be prepared in the event of an emergency in my town. When an event happens the citizens expect the town elected officials to respond. Some things are easy to prepare for while some events I feel no town can completely prepare for. Events can range from a small event like a car accident or house fire to a major event like a tornado or flood that affects a majority of the town. So there are things towns do to prepare. But there are always things the town can use help with.

For smaller events like a car accident or house fire a town prepares by having a trained EMS and Fire Departments. The town makes sure they have equipment and funding for training. This allows them to respond and clean up the car accident and get medical help to those injured; on a house fire, to put it out as quickly as possible and to help save those trapped. However the town is not able to help afterward with medical bills for the injured or temporary housing for the homeless. This is where a local Lions Club can help. For those with uninsured medical bills the local Lions can hold a fundraiser to help raise money for the family. For the house fire the local Lions Club can donate money for temporary housing or lead a donation effort for needed items like clothing or furniture.

For other events like a snow storm shutting down a local highway or an ice storm knocking out power the town can open up an emergency shelter. The town could use the help of a local Lions Club to have volunteers work the shelter or to bring in meals. The Lions Club could be the ones the town works with to help organize the volunteers.

“This is where a local Lions Club can help.”

With the town working to get the snow removed or the power restored they will need the help of the volunteers.

Where towns struggle to be prepared is when there is a major event, one that affects a majority of the town with damage. This could be a flood of most of the town or a tornado that destroys or damages a majority of the buildings in town. Towns struggle with these as the town does not have enough resources to respond. They will then call on their county for help. If the county does not have enough resources they will go to the state for help. If the state does not have enough resources they will call on the federal government for help. With events of this size it most likely has affected the local club’s ability to respond. At this point the mayor can reach out to the County Emergency Coordinator for help finding volunteers from other communities in the county or surrounding counties.

I would like to encourage clubs as they develop an ALERT program for their town and county that they reach out to their elected officials. See what areas they would like help in in the event something happens. Once you find out the needs you can determine if your club is large enough to handle the need or if you need to partner with other clubs or groups. As you develop a plan work with your elected officials to test the plan so you know your plan will work and you can respond when needed. Attend meetings with the town and county emergency management so you can learn points of contacts and they learn your club points of contacts. How much your club can help depends on each club as they are all different. I just encourage you to make sure your club develops an ALERT team so you can help your town when there is a need.



DISTRICT 9NC: The Kamrar Lions Club recently inducted four new members. They are shown here with their sponsors and Zone Chair Jim Jansen. From left, they are: Luann Jackson and Dennis Jackson and sponsor Eugene Range; new member Dale Ingraham; Zone Chair Jim Jansen; sponsor Jeff Brinkema, who sponsored new member Terry Klaver (far right).



DISTRICT 9EC: Bettendorf Lions purchased a new Iowa KidSight Camera. Pictured, left to right: Pat Larson, Bettendorf Iowa KidSight chairperson; Lori Short, Director of Iowa KidSight; Club Secretary Bob Jacobs and Club President Tony White.

2015 Iowa Lions State Convention, Cedar Rapids, IA. REGISTRATION FORM

June 4 – 6, 2015 – Cedar Rapids Marriott, 1200 Collins Road NE

ROOM RESERVATIONS are your responsibility and should be made directly with the Cedar Rapids Marriott, 1200 Collins Road NE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Call 1-319-393-6600 or 1-800-396-2153 for reservations or for reservations online at <http://cwp.marriott.com/cidmc/lionsclub>. Please mention you are with The Iowa Lions State Convention and get the special rate of \$99.00 plus taxes for a Standard Guestroom or \$104 plus taxes for a King Suite.

Rooms will be held until May 21, 2015

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM COMPLETELY

NAME _____ LION _____ LIONESS _____ LEO _____ GUEST _____

CURRENT OFFICE HELD _____ FIRST TIMER: YES _____ NO _____

As part of "ASK 1", have you sponsored a new Lion member this year? _____ YES _____ NO

NAME _____ LION _____ LIONESS _____ LEO _____ GUEST _____

CURRENT OFFICE HELD _____ FIRST TIMER: YES _____ NO _____

As part of "ASK 1", have you sponsored a new Lion member this year? _____ YES _____ NO

CLUB _____ DISTRICT _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE (____) _____

EMAIL _____

If you have **SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS** please use a separate sheet with your name and needs required.

Please make checks payable to: Iowa Lions State Convention

And mail to: PCC Jerry Inman, 224 Country View Drive, Mechanicsville, IA 52306

Phone: 563-432-6609 E-Mail: jerconinman@gmail.com

Admission to any Meal Functions by Meal Ticket only.

PACKAGE PRICE - This price includes Meals and Registration Fees.

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Cost</u>
\$80.00 per Adult	_____	\$ _____

INDIVIDUAL MEAL PRICES INCLUDING REGISTRATION FEES

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Friday Luncheon \$20.00 per Adult	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Brunch \$27.00 per Adult	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Banquet \$39.00 per Adult	_____	\$ _____
Total Amount Due		\$ _____

REGISTRATION FEE ONLY: Required for those only who are not purchasing the package registration or individual meal registrations. This allows admission to seminars & business session only and **NO** admission to meal functions.

\$15.00 per Adult Number _____ Cost \$ _____

ADMITTANCE BY BADGE ONLY

DEADLINE: REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2015

NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 29, 2015

Apply now for state chairperson positions

Applications are invited for the following State Chairperson positions.

- **Opportunities for Youth Chairperson**
 - **State Diabetes Chairperson**
 - **State Chaplain**

These are one year positions.

Interested Lions should send a letter or email of interest, including qualifications, to State Administrator Tim Wilson, 2300 South Duff, Ames, IA 50010; email: IowaLions@aol.com.

Applications need to be received by May 1, 2015.



THE IOWA LION

21 YOUTH FROM 15 COUNTRIES LOOKING FORWARD TO COMING TO IOWA

Hosts needed for Inbound 2015 International Youth Exchangees

The 2015 Iowa Lions International Youth Exchange Camp will be held for a second year at Camp Hantesa south of Boone, with an expansion of the facilities to be used, including the main camp cafeteria for more convenience and space. **Camp dates are July 12-18.**

It is currently anticipated there will be 21 exchange youth from 15 countries coming to Iowa to participate if host families can be arranged for all of them. Nineteen of the youth are named at right. In addition, one boy and one girl is expected to be added to the list from Poland, making a total of 12 girls and 9 boys.

The camp staff has a goal of having host youth from Iowa, preferably two females and two males 17-18 years old, to be liaisons with the staff and to help orient the students.

The exchange youth will be in Iowa from the last week of June until the fourth week of July. The youth will be with host families from two to three weeks. Hosts do not have to be Lions club members, and in certain circumstances, a youth's stay can be with more than one host.

In addition to the Iowa inbound program, Lions-sponsored youth camps and handicap camps are offered around the world.

Persons interested in being an Iowa host family or a camp host youth, or participating in a camp in another country should contact their district youth exchange chairperson, or contact Iowa Lions Programs for Youth Chair Bill Tjaden -- email wtjaden@ilyec.com; phone 319-464-2047. Additional information is available at the camp website: www.ILYEC.com.

As of press time, youth needing a host family, their age and country of origin include:

Larissa Mioni Vieira Alves, 16, Brazil
Olivier Van Der Meersch, 18, Belgium
Maria Mathiasen, 19, Denmark
Julia Heino, 17, Finland
Armand Prost, 16, France
Segev Cohen, 17, Israel
Assaf Shirazi, 18, Israel
Pedro Louis Sanchez Ortegon, 16, Mexico
Javkhlan Zolboo, 16, Mongolia
Florine Treep, 16, Netherlands
Bengi Guralp, 17, Turkey
Deniz Bilaloglu, 18, Turkey

Youth who have been placed with a host family as of press time:

Grace Courtney-Tucker, 18, England
Julie Kondrup, 17, Denmark
Julius Ruotsalainen, 17, Finland
Maya Bonk, 15, Germany
Edoardo Zini, 18, Italy
Natalia Noce, 16, Brazil
Cecilie Dahl, 15, Norway

CHECK OUT THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE LIONS CLUBS OF IOWA WEB SITE: www.iowaLions.org