



DISTRICT CABINET

District Governor
Sandy Fraser-Thomas

1st Vice District Governor
Chris Beck

2nd Vice District Governor
Eddie Garmon

Cabinet Secretary
Tim Williams

Cabinet Treasurer
Kirby Matthews

Global Extension Team
Coordinator
Tim Williams

Global Leadership Team
Coordinator
Kathleen Poirier

Global Membership Team
Coordinator
Paul Bledsoe

Global Service Team Coordinator
Joseph Poirier

LCIF Coordinator
Simon Thomas

Zone Chairpersons
Betsy Anderson - 1A
Jeff Lambert - 1B
Tammy MacLean - 2
Sharon Weddington - 3
Debbie Williams - 4
Emily Cook - 5
Steven Emerson - 6
Angie Kaiser - 7
Patricia Johnson - 8

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Scott MacLean

Peace Poster
Emily Cook

Vision Screening Program
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Lions Clubs International

District 31-I

Sandy Fraser-Thomas

District Governor 2026-2027



"I WANT MY WHOLE TEAM TO SUCCEED, NOT JUST ME, ALL OF US."

July 18, 2026 - Cabinet Meeting Minutes District 31-I – meeting held in conjunction with Awards and Installation Banquet Fair Grove Lions Den –Thomasville, NC

District Governor Sandy Fraser-Thomas called the meeting to order at 12:30pm with 84 Lions in attendance (See Attachment A1.1), and welcomed everyone to our cabinet meeting. DG Fraser-Thomas appointed PCC Allen Reinhardt as Parliamentarian.

A motion by PCC Terry Cauble (second by PDG Butch Conrad) to approve the agenda as presented was approved by unanimous vote.

Members of the International family, ID Gary Steele and Lion Liz were recognized. ID Gary reminded us that the dues increase of \$2 per year, as well as the loss of two directors from CA1, starts in the 2027-2028 Lions Year. He also informed us of a resolution (PASSED) that PDGs in clubs NOT IN GOOD STANDING would lose their voting privileges.

A motion by ID Gary Steele (2nd by PDG Steve Cline) to approve the minutes from the last meeting was approved by a unanimous vote.

Lion Treasurer Kirby Matthews presented the financial reports for the district (See Attachments A1.2-A1.4). He shared that we had a net gain for the year, that Rockwell was taking charge of VAVS, and that donations to Humanitarian Goals were good. A motion was by Lion Kirby Matthews (second by Lion Emily Cook) to approve the Treasurer's Report passed by a unanimous vote. Lion Kirby then presented the budget for the 2026-2027 Lions Year (See Attachments A1.5-A1.6). A motion by Lion Stevie Hedrick (second by Lion Emily Cook) to approve the 2026-2027 budget passed by a unanimous vote. A motion by Lion Michelle Myers (second by Lion Sharon Weddington to add Tim Williams to the account as a second signatory passed by a unanimous vote.

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Old Business

1st VDG Chris Beck spoke about the District Convention to be held on January 8th - 9th at the Village Inn in Clemmons. Registration and Ad forms are available! VDG Chris also offered his availability for programs.

New Business –

DG Sandy presented her “Christmas in July” Challenge, calling on all clubs to hold a service project in the remainder of July.

Lion Scott McLean presented a PowerPoint on the new (now in Beta, but coming soon) Lions Web Pages for clubs. He stated that the current e-Clubhouse will be going away at the end of this Lions Year.

2nd VDG Eddie Garmon and PDG Sydney Eudy spoke on Brighter Visions, reminding attendees of the Brighter Visions Kickoff on August 1st at Konnoak Hills Moravian Church.

LCIF Co-Chair, PCC Terry Cauble encouraged attendees to purchase a square on the LCIF board being held at this event. He reminded participants that every club needed an LCIF Chairperson and that the Immediate Past President held this office, unless another member was appointed to fill it. He announced that the District LCIF goal is \$31,500 (\$35 per member (\$3 monthly)), and reminded us of what a great return on our investment this is.

Peace Poster Chair Emily Cook encouraged participation in the Peace Poster Contest. She cited prizes and other incentives and reminded us that last year’s state winner was from District I.

Global Action Team Coordinators shared summaries of their Action Plans (See Attachments A1.7-A1.9). GLT Coordinator, CC Kathy Poirier spoke of ZOOM Trainings on Leadership, Service, and Membership. GMT Coordinator, PDG Paul Bledsoe spoke on his plan, “Rebuild. Reconnect. Grow.” He reminded us that, “Word of mouth is our superpower!”, that we are “rooted in SERVICE,” that “People join People,” and he told us “This is where it begins!”

In closing, DG Sandy Fraser-Thomas introduced her special guests, Lions Ron and Sheila Greene. Lion Ron reminded us to focus on young people. DG Sandy also spoke about her Service and Membership Patches, the District Points Contest, and her 3-Year Plan to raise our membership back to 1250.

(Reports not presented at the meeting but sent via email: KidSight, Boys and Girls Home, and Zone 2 (See Attachments A1.10-A1.12).)

The date of the next cabinet meeting was announced as October 17 (Later changed to October 24 due to VIP Fishing Tournament).

DG Sandy Fraser-Thomas adjourned the meeting at 1:17pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

PCC Tim Williams

District Cabinet Secretary

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District 31-I 2025-2026 Cabinet Meeting Attendance Saturday, July 18 @Fair Grove Lions Den

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>NAMES</u>
Bethlehem	John Bowen, Bill Post, Jon Snellings. Sharon Snellings (4)
Boone Area	Betsy Anderson, Roger Bodo, Jerry Tuaudt (3)
Cleveland	Chris Beck, Gary Steele, Liz Steele (3)
Concord.....	Janine Girard, Joe Poirier, Kathy Poirier, Ron Rice, Jeff Smith (5)
Davis-Townsend	Butch Conrad, Elizabeth Conrad, Charles Everhart, Glenda Everhart (4)
Denton.....	Donnie Small, Kathy Small, Kirby Matthews, Theresa Matthews, Theresa Munyon (5)
Fair Grove	Pam Britt, Steve Cline, Stacey Kinley (3)
Hickory Grove.....	Marlon Stover (1)
Lexington Downtown	Yvonne Stewart, Melissa Egelnick (2)
Linwood	Stevie Hedrick, Pam Shoaf, Sammy Shoaf, Debbie Williams, Tim Williams (5)
Harrisburg	Roger Eudy, Sydney Eudy (2)
Mocksville.....	Jimmy Myers (1)
Mooresville	Neal Alexander, Angie Kaiser, Sharon Weddington (3)
Mt. Pleasant.....	Robyn Cauble, Terry Cauble (2)
North Charlotte	Susan Arant, Rufus Crawford, Peggy Washington (3)
North Davidson	Michelle Myers (1)
Odell.....	Steve Emerson (2)
Rockwell	Emily Cook, John Eller, Debbie Morgan (3)
Salisbury.....	Jerry Austin, George Foil, Wanda Foil, Sandy Fraser-Thomas, Daniel Haddock, Paul Hess, Pam Holt, Bob Loeblien, George Ohm, Simon Thomas (10)
Sparta	Terri Atwood, Donald Cobb, Gayle Cobb, Allen Reinhardt (4)
Thomasville.....	Curtis Conner, Shirley Conner, Michael Floyd, David Smoot (4)
Wallburg.....	Jim Myers, Greer Smith (2)
West Iredell	Wayne Ashley, Darryl Hawkins, Lisa Hawkins, Angela Hoover, Christie Kestler, Scott McLean (6)
West Lexington	Corey Brown (1)
W-S Konnoak Hills.....	Janet Doub, Fred Francis, Pat Johnson, Sharon Moser, Janell Rowe
W-S Twin City Host	Paul Bledsoe, Dean Vavra (2)
Siler City (31-O)	Juanita Brown (1)
River Hills Lake Wiley (SC).....	Ron Greene (1)
Laurelton)NY).....	Shiela Greene (1)

Total: 84

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NC Lions District 31-I

Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

July 2025 through June 2026

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	Jul '25 - Jun 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
1101 District Dues 1st Half	8,799.00	8,220.00	579.00	107.0%
1102 District Dues 2nd Half	8,840.00	8,220.00	620.00	107.5%
1200 Interst Income	1,464.82	1,680.00	-215.18	87.2%
1400 Reimbursement Awards				
1401 Sponsored Awards	270.00			
1403 NC Trading Pins	840.00	800.00	40.00	105.0%
Total 1400 Reimbursement Awards	1,110.00	800.00	310.00	138.8%
1500 Misc Income				
1503 Misc Income	40.50			
Total 1500 Misc Income	40.50			
1700 Convention Income				
1701 Member Fees	3,312.00			
1702 Fun Night	2,885.00			
1703 Banquet	7,245.00			
1704 Program Ads	4,050.00			
1708 Convention Lunch	695.00			
1709 Misc Income	70.00			
Total 1700 Convention Income	18,257.00			
1750 Misc Income				
1751 Meals	945.00			
Total 1750 Misc Income	945.00			
1800 Pass Through Income				
1801 Brighter Vision Boutique	1,770.00			
1802 District Raffle Baskets	1,840.00			
1804 Brighter Visions Auction	3,740.00			
1808 Tail Twister Fine	560.00			
1813 Due to LCI	250.00			
1814 Repay Wrong Draft	637.60			
Total 1800 Pass Through Income	8,797.60			
Total Income	48,253.92	18,920.00	29,333.92	255.0%
Gross Profit	48,253.92	18,920.00	29,333.92	255.0%
Expense				
4100 NC State Council				
4101 Admin Fund	4,620.00	4,620.00	0.00	100.0%
4102 State Council Promotion	840.00	840.00	0.00	100.0%
4103 NC State Trading Pins	800.00	800.00	0.00	100.0%
Total 4100 NC State Council	6,260.00	6,260.00	0.00	100.0%
4200 Adminstration				
4202 E-Mail Expense	254.49	260.00	-5.51	97.9%
4203 Awards - Badges	390.42	450.00	-59.58	86.8%
4204 Previous Year Awards	224.70	300.00	-75.30	74.9%
4205 Directory Printing	1,037.97	1,200.00	-162.03	86.5%
4206 Leadership School	600.00	600.00	0.00	100.0%
4207 Membership Recruit/train	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
4208 Admin Postage	78.00	75.00	3.00	104.0%
4210 State Convention Ad	300.00	300.00	0.00	100.0%
4211 Supplies and Checks	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
4212 Bond Cabinet Sec & Treas	64.00	70.00	-6.00	91.4%
4213 Zoom Subscription	159.90	150.00	9.90	106.6%
4218 Internet Website	106.06	120.00	-13.94	88.4%
Total 4200 Adminstration	3,215.54	3,825.00	-609.46	84.1%

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NC Lions District 31-I

Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

July 2025 through June 2026

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	Jul '25 - Jun 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
4300 District Governor				
4301 District Governor Expenses	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	100.0%
4302 International Convention	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Total 4300 District Governor	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	100.0%
4400 1st Vice District Governor				
4401 1st VD Governor Expenses	900.00	900.00	0.00	100.0%
4402 USA - Canada Forum	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	100.0%
4403 Inter Conv Partner in Serv	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100.0%
4404 State Conv. Hosp. Room	200.00	200.00	0.00	100.0%
Total 4400 1st Vice District Governor	3,300.00	3,300.00	0.00	100.0%
4500 Cabinet Sec - Treas				
4501 Cab Sec - Treas Expenses	144.43	300.00	-155.57	48.1%
4502 All Convention Expenses	1,228.48	3,000.00	-1,771.52	40.9%
Total 4500 Cabinet Sec - Treas	1,372.91	3,300.00	-1,927.09	41.6%
4600 2nd Vice District Governor				
4601 2nd VD Governor Expenses	900.00	900.00	0.00	100.0%
4602 USA / Canada Forum	0.00	1,200.00	-1,200.00	0.0%
Total 4600 2nd Vice District Governor	900.00	2,100.00	-1,200.00	42.9%
4700 Convention Expenses				
4701 ID & Guest Meal & Expenses	180.00			
4702 Fun Night	3,508.81			
4704 Sat Lunch	500.00			
4705 Saturday Banquet	7,085.81			
4707 Admin and Hosp Supplies	395.42			
4708 Meeting Room & AV Charges	1,872.50			
4709 Entertainment	500.00			
4710 ID Honorarium	500.00			
4713 Gift Bags Etc (Guests)	127.55			
4717 Hosp Room - Food & Rent	290.99			
4719 Printing - Convention	1,407.05			
4720 Misc Expense	150.00			
4721 ID Hotel Room	33.90			
4723 Deposit-- Next Convention	0.00			
4730 Transfer Convention Profit	1,704.97			
Total 4700 Convention Expenses	18,257.00			
4800 Misc Expense				
4801 Cabinet Meal Expense	994.00			
Total 4800 Misc Expense	994.00			
9000 Pass Through Expense				
9001 Brighter Vision Boutique	1,770.00			
9002 District Raffle Baskets	1,840.00			
9004 Auction Proceeds	3,740.00			
9009 Tail Twister Fines	560.00			
9013 Due to LCI	250.00			
9014 Draft Wrong Acct	637.60			
Total 9000 Pass Through Expense	8,797.60			
Total Expense	48,097.05	23,785.00	24,312.05	202.2%
Net Ordinary Income	156.87	-4,865.00	5,021.87	-3.2%
Net Income	156.87	-4,865.00	5,021.87	-3.2%

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<u>Boys & Girls Home</u>	<u>Guide Dog</u>	<u>LCIF</u> \$160.00	<u>Scruggs</u> \$73.23	<u>Ambassador</u> \$114.90	<u>Woolard</u>
Clinical Eye	<u>VIP Fishing</u>	<u>Peace Poster</u> \$577.64	<u>Diabetes</u> \$2,135.50	<u>Leo/ Youth</u> \$3,578.17	<u>VAVS</u> \$2,910.01
Celebrate Liberty \$1,507.50	Dist. Convention \$6,151.94	Child Cancer \$1,446.81	Eye Screen \$354.50	Extension \$249.38	Interest \$1,179.48
Total			\$20,365.89		
<u>RESTRICTED</u>	Money Market	\$18,734.73			
<u>RESTRICTED</u>	Checking	\$1,631.16			

DONATIONS

Boys & Girls Home	\$1,885.40
<u>LeaderDog</u>	\$1,434.40
<u>LCIF</u>	\$3,000.00
Scruggs	\$1,400.00
Ambassador	\$1,500.00
Woolard	\$1,250.00
Clinical Eye	\$2,045.40
VIP Fishing	\$1,500.00

<u>ADMIN</u>	Money Market	<u>\$42,785.62</u>
<u>ADMIN</u>	Checking	<u>\$4,387.40</u>

Proposed Budget District 31-I 2026/2027

	2026/2027 Budget	2025/2026 Budget	NOTES
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
1101 District Dues 1st Half	\$8,662.50	\$8,820.00	825 x \$10.50
1102 District Dues 2nd Half	\$8,662.50	\$8,820.00	825 x \$10.50
1104 Transfer from Unrestricted			
1200 Interest	\$1,500.00	\$1,680.00	
1401 Sponsored Awards	\$240.00	\$240.00	
1403 NC Trading Pins	\$800.00	\$800.00	Wash
Total Income	\$19,865.00	\$20,360.00	
NOTE : \$4.00 CONVENTION FEE PER MEMBER			
Expense			
4100 NC State Council			
4101 Admin Fund	\$4,537.50	\$4,620.00	825 x \$5.50
4102 State Council Promotion	\$825.00	\$840.00	825 x \$1
4103 NC State Trading Pins	\$800.00	\$800.00	Wash
Total 4100 NC State Council	\$6,162.50	\$6,260.00	
4200 Adminstration			
4202 E-Mail Expense	\$260.00	\$260.00	
4203 Awards - Badges	\$600.00	\$450.00	
4204 Previous Years Awards	\$300.00	\$300.00	
4205 Directory Printing	\$1,300.00	\$1,200.00	
4206 Leadership School RLLI	\$600.00	\$600.00	
4207 Membership Recruit	\$200.00	\$200.00	
4208 Admin Postage	\$80.00	\$75.00	
4209 Newsletter Printing & Post		\$0.00	
4210 State Convention Ad	\$300.00	\$300.00	
4211 Supplies and Checks	\$100.00	\$100.00	
4212 Bond Cabinet Sec & Treas	\$70.00	\$70.00	
4213 Zoom Meeting Subscription	\$160.00	\$150.00	
4218 Internet Website	\$120.00	\$120.00	Paid to NC Lions
Total 4200 Adminstration	\$4,090.00	\$3,705.00	
4300 District Governor			
4301 District Governor Expenses	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	
4302 International Convention	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Total 4300 District Governor	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	
4400 1st Vice District Governor			

26-27 Proposed

4401 1st VD Governor Expenses	\$900.00	\$900.00	
4402 USA - Canada Forum	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	
4403 Inter Conv Partner in Serv	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	Out of Country
4404 State Conv. Hosp. Room	\$200.00	\$200.00	
Total 4400 1st Vice District Govern	\$2,800.00	\$3,300.00	
4500 Cabinet Sec - Treas			
4501 Cab Sec - Treas Expenses	\$300.00	\$300.00	
4502 All Convention Expenses	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Total 4500 Cabinet Sec - Treas	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00	
4600 2nd Vice District Governor			
4601 2nd VD Governor Expenses	\$900.00	\$900.00	
4602 USA Canada Forum	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	
Total 4600 2nd Vice District Govern	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	
Total Expense	\$23,452.50	\$23,665.00	
 Net Income (Loss)	 -\$3,587.50	 -\$3,305.00	

**District 31-I GET Coordinator Report
July 18, 2026
First District Cabinet Meeting
Fair Grove Lions Den, Thomasville, NC**

The Global Extension Action Plan for District 31-I Lions' Year '26-'27 calls for the charter 1 regular Lions Club, 1 Virtual Lions Club, and 1 additional Club Branch, while maintaining and expanding the existing plan to identify and cultivate areas for future extension.

The Extension Team Members (consisting of the GAT Team, Zone Chairpersons, and Lions who have expressed an interest in forming new clubs) will concentrate efforts on ONE previously identified area (Yadkin County, NC). We will use Facebook postings, signage, and Extension Team Member visits to identify and recruit new members.

Meanwhile, we will Continue to cultivate other previously identified areas using the same tactics as in Yadkin County with the goal of creating more Club Branches.

Finally, simultaneous with the other efforts, the District Governor and District GET Coordinator will seek to Create a virtual Club Branch based out of Rowan County, NC, with the intention of chartering by November, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,
PCC Tim Williams
District GET Coordinator

**District 31-I GLT Coordinator Report
July 18, 2026
First District Cabinet Meeting**

As your Global Leadership Team Coordinator for 2026-2027, I would first like to thank those of you who took the time to participate in both the in-person and Zoom training sessions that were offered in preparation for this Lions year. Outstanding training sessions were coordinated by PCC/IPGLT Tim Williams, and we would like to thank him for his service in this position over the past several years.

This year we will be approaching training for our Lions a bit differently. Everyone is used to being invited to the officer training sessions that are provided in the Spring for the next Lions year. These will again be offered, and we hope not only incoming officers but any Lion who might be interested in learning more about these leadership positions will also attend.

At the request of our District Governor Lion Sandy Fraser-Thomas, we will be hosting three Global Action Team Zoom sessions sometime in October/November that will be open to every single Lion in our District. The three sessions will cover the topics of Leadership (instructors are GLT Kathy Poirier and 1st VDG Chris Beck), Service (instructors are GST Joe Poirier and 2nd VDG Eddie Garmon) and Membership (instructors are GET Tim Williams and GMT Paul Bledsoe). More information about these sessions will be forthcoming in the September District newsletter and through email blasts to our members.

It's been almost three years since our District offered a Certified Guiding Lion training session. Because those who participated at that time are due to renew their certification, we will be hosting a training session after the first of the year for those who need recertification and for any other Lions who would be interested in being a Guiding Lion. Certified Guiding Lions are leaders whose purpose is to assist newly chartered clubs, established clubs or clubs that are rebuilding to be successful. If you are currently a club president or have been a president, your experience in this position would enhance your success in this position. More information about the training session will be provided in future District newsletters.

We are looking forward to another successful year of offering Leadership training to the Lions of District 31-I. If you have questions about learning more about Lions or need help with accessing the Lion Portal to use the resources in the Lions Learning Center, please feel free to reach out to me. Learning shouldn't stop once we graduate from school. It should be an ongoing process for all of us.

Respectfully submitted,

GLT Kathy Poirier

**District 31-I GST Coordinator Report
July 18, 2026
First District Cabinet Meeting**

Last year our International President A.P. Singh started a new initiative for providing service as Lions. He proposed three weeks of service that would focus on different global causes. This year our new International President, Mark Lyon is continuing this idea, and he has proposed three weeks of service as well. The three Focus Weeks are 1) Vision Week-October 8-18, 2026, 2) Youth Week-February 13-21, 2027, and 3) Environment Week-May 29-June 6, 2027. All clubs in the District are encouraged to participate in some way during each of these weeks. Information will be forthcoming as we receive more information from Lions International.

Our main focus as Lions is to provide humanitarian service to the people in our communities. Besides doing service projects within your club, it's important that your service activities are reported in the Lion Portal. It's a way for you to share your story about what your club accomplishes but it also helps Lions International to share statistics with other foundations when looking for funding. Reporting your service activities could spark an interest in other clubs to do something similar. One of our goals this year is to increase the number of clubs reporting service activities on the Portal. This past Lions year we had 44% of our clubs reporting in the Portal. This year we would like to attain 75% district-wide service reporting, which would be a 50% increase.

Training is available for those club secretaries and/or club service chairpersons who need assistance in getting started on reporting. Assistance can be done in person, by phone or by Zoom. In addition, training on the Lion Portal will be available at our District Convention in January.

There are many types of service projects clubs can do. Projects could even be done with other clubs in your Zone. The possibilities are endless. The main thing is to do what you can in your community and have fun doing it.

Respectfully submitted,

GST Joe Poirier



**Report of District 31-I KidSight – 18Jul2026
For District Cabinet Meeting on July 18, 2026**

District 31-I KidSight and Club Vision Screening completed the 2025-2026 year with almost 16,000 children screened and 16.5% referred. This was second to District N. Credit goes to Concord Lions with the most screenings using their club camera. Of those screened we continue with 80+% over 6+ years. One of our goals is to reach more of the younger children to identify vision needs as soon as possible for the greatest vision health impact. We are tackling that by systematic approaches to franchised preschools such as Primrose, Goddard, Kindercare, etc. We already have Charlotte's Early HeadStart and Primrose of Lake Wylie scheduled for September.

We continue to involve Clubs that have not previously or recently been involved in KidSight programs. We will work with Dwayne Turner, State KS Chair, and Jon Snellings, State KS Training Coordinator, to gain more interest and grow the number of our certified screener amongst our district clubs.

We are focused to expand our outreach to include more pre-schools, after school, home school, child development and care centers, charter and private schools, family/child service organizations, community groups/festivals, and summer programs. Our sponsoring clubs are challenged to repeat screenings at all the 25-26 facilities while adding new facilities.

We currently have seven (7) KidSight operators and continue to explore best ways to efficiently move the van between the northern and southern extremes of our district. We continually work with District L to address the screening needs of our border facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Critz (Lake Norman Lions), Chair 2025-27
District 31-I KidSight

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Boys & Girls Home Report

July 17, 2026

I'm pleased to report that on June 26, 2026 that the Boys and Girls Homes of NC received a new Lions Club van. The old Lions Club van was not in good shape and this new van will allow residents of the Lions Club Cottages to be transported to doctors appointments and other activities in a vehicle they can be proud of. Thanks to all of the Lions across the state for raising over \$44,000 to make this possible.

Richard Rogers

Boys & Girls Home Chairperson

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Zone 2

Cabinet Meeting Report

Dobson Lions Club

- The Dobson Lions Club is partnering with the Town of Dobson to enhance the Old Courthouse Square by installing new benches and decorative flower containers. This project will beautify the downtown area while creating a welcoming gathering space for residents and visitors.

King Lions Club

- The King Lions Club will host its Annual Picnic for the Blind on **Friday, July 18**, beginning at **4:00 p.m.** at **King Recreation Acres** in the Parlor. This annual event continues to provide fellowship, fun, and community support for our visually impaired neighbors.
- The club has also partnered with the **Stokes Family YMCA's middle school program** to participate in the **Lions International Peace Poster Contest**, encouraging young people to express their vision of peace through art.
- In addition, the club is currently selling raffle tickets for its annual fundraising event, which will take place in **October**. Funds raised will support the club's community service projects throughout the year.

Pinnacle Lions Club

- The Pinnacle Lions Club is preparing for a dedication ceremony for the new **Charles Watson Pickleball Courts**. Construction is expected to be completed in **August**, and the dedication will be a significant celebration for both the club and the surrounding community.

Summary

Zone 2 clubs continue to demonstrate the Lions motto, "*We Serve*," through community beautification projects, programs supporting individuals with visual impairments, youth engagement initiatives, fundraising efforts, and recreational improvements that will benefit their communities for years to come.

Respectfully submitted:

Lion Tammy MacLean

Zone Chair

Zone 2