#### DISTRICT 31-I CABINET MEETING

#### November 14, 2015

#### Village Inn and Event Center, Clemmons, NC

- 1. The meeting was called to order by District Governor Allen Reinhardt at 1:25 PM.
- - DG Reinhardt Presented Club excellence awards to: PDG Allan Thompson, West Lexington Lions Club; Lion Judi Seymour, Concord Lions Club; and Lion Brian Tant, Salisbury Lions Club.
  - Governor Reinhardt presented
    - Level 1 Centennial Banner Patches to: Boone Lions Club, West Jefferson Lions Club, Hickory Grove Lions Club, Elkin Lions Club, Churchland Lions Club and Rockwell Lions Club.
    - Level 2 Centennial Banner Patches to the South Iredell Lions Club, Kernersville Lions Club, Davis-Townsend Lions Club and Denton Lions Club.
    - Level 3 Centennial Banner Patches to the Mooresville Lions Club and Linwood Lions Club.
    - Level 4 Centennial Banner Patches to the Winston-Salem Konnoak Hills Lions Club, Cleveland Lions Club, Harrisburg Lions Club, Welcome Lions Club and Gold Hill Lions Club.
  - DG Reinhardt recognized the following leaders for their dedication and contributions to the District:
    - 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Butch Conrad, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG George Culp, Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Ron Staley, Communications Chair PDG Theresa Matthews, Global Leadership Chair PDG Tim Williams, Global Membership Chair PDG Gene Everette, VIP Fishing Coordinator PDG Sydney Eudy, VIP Fishing Coordinator Pat Poteat and Brighter Visions Chair Carolyn Sprinkle.
    - Region Chairs PCC Bob Sprinkle, PDG Terry Cauble and Lion Ron Rich.
    - Zone Chairs Lion Andy Sicard, Lion Hugh Wilkins, Sharon Moser, Glenda Everhart, Don Conner, Angela Kaiser, Richard Rogers, Hunter Garbee and Robert Pollard
- 3. DG Reinhardt Recognized guests and officers

ID Linda Tincher

PIP Sid Scruggs

Visiting District Governors Mary Boehm

PID Harvey Whitley

PID Ron Huber

Dupree

NCLI Officers Paul Bledsoe, Gary Steele and Tim Williams

- **5. PDG** George Ohm moved to allow all Lions in attendance to vote at the Cabinet Meeting. Lion Jimmy Myers seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.
- **6.** Past International President Sid Scruggs was appointed as Parliamentarian by DG Reinhardt.

accept the Financial Report. The motion was seconded by PDG Ohm and unanimously approved.

#### 9. Roll Call and Reports:

#### - Region/Zone Chairpersons:

- Region 1 PCC Sprinkle reported that zone meetings had been held in all zones. The region has lost 18 members and added 11 new members with a net of minus 7 members. All 14 clubs are working to increase membership. Activities are increasing.
- Region 2 PDG Cauble reported that Lion Sharon Moser is serving as zone chair for two zones. Lion Terry called on the Zone Chairs to report on their zones. Lion Don Conner's report is attached. He reported that Zone 6 has held fund raisers in Cleveland and Franklin-Ellis, Gold Hill, Salisbury and Rockwell. Zone 5 Chair Glenda Everhart's report is attached.
- Region 3 Lion Ron Rich reported that he has two zones and that they have been busy. The zones are growing and are very busy with their Brighter Visions Campaign.
- Region 4 The following report was submitted by Lion Doris Messer:
   SouthPark is hoping to have the equipment available to start Kidsight the first of the year.
   They have hosted the screening unit 3 times this year. Sponsored a successful bingo fund raiser, continue to collect glasses and sell brooms. Serve dinner the first Saturday of each month at Ronald McDonald House. Mint Hill held a successful VIP day. Charlotte Southern will be selling Christmas Flowers. Because of health problems I have not been able to travel. Lion Doris Messer
   Region Zone Chair

#### Committee Reports -

- Boys and Girls Homes Report is attached.
- Leo & Campus Clubs Report is attached.
- Brighter Visions Lion Carolyn Sprinkle reported that contributions are about 25% of the total district goal.
- Budget and Finance Bills for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half will be mailed in January and clubs are asked to send their goals.
- Camp Dogwood Lion Theresa Munyon asked members to be at the banquet. She asked everyone to sell tickets.
- Clinical Eye Research PDG Bledsoe reminded everyone of the importance of Eye Research.
- Constitution and By-Laws PCC Sprinkle reported that there will be proposed amendments
  to change the district constitution at the called convention in January. These proposals will be
  mailed with the delegate forms to clubs in December or January.
- Diabetes Awareness PDG Steele reported that there have been no presentations but some are scheduled.
- District Directory Lion Carolyn Sprinkle reported that the collection of information for next year's directory will begin in February.
- District Convention 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Conrad recognized and thanked the committee and reported that all are invited to attend the wrap-up meeting in January.
- Endowments Report is attached.
- Global Leadership Coordinator PDG Williams asked everyone to not ignore their potential and different leadership opportunities.
- Global Membership Coordinator PDG Everette reported that membership is plus two. Currently district membership is 1,401.
- History No report
- Information, Newsletter & Technology Lion Carolyn Sprinkle reported that PDG

Matthews handles the newsletter and Lion Elizabeth Rummage does the webpage. Send newsletter information to PDG Matthews and webpage info to Lion Carolyn Sprinkle who will pass it to Lion Rummage.

- International Relations Report attached.
- Leader Dog Lion Bill Muscarella reported that he had done 3 presentations this year. He has two more scheduled. He is still collecting pull tabs and quarter cards.
- LCIF Lion Jimmy Myers reported that the "fuel" which runs LCIF programs is the Melvin Jones Fellowships.
- Peace Poster Lion Debbie Williams reported that the district peace poster contest is complete. There were 7 entries from 6 clubs. The winning poster was created by McKinley Watson a student at Millers Creek Elementary sponsored by the North Wilkesboro Lions Club. Thank you to all the clubs who sponsored a contest--Concord (2), Mocksville, North Wilkesboro, Sparta, Walkertown, and Welcome. Kits will be available in January.
- Properties PDG Willie Hudson reported that nothing will be addressed until the first of the year.
- Promotions No report.
- Sight and Hearing No report.
- State Convention No report.
- Veterans Association Volunteer Services Lions Zemke and Van Vleet reported that VAVS is going well. On Dec. 17 there will be a Christmas party for the veterans in building 6 at the Salisbury VA hospital. The Lions help deliver gifts to the veterans and sing carols.
- VIP Fishing Tournament PDG Sydney Eudy thanked the Lions and clubs that made the
  event possible this year. There will be a meeting to discuss the most efficient means of
  providing transportation to the Fishing Tournament.
- 10. Unfinished Business: None
- 11. New Business: None
- **12.** Announcements:
  - The next cabinet meeting will be January 30 at Camp Dogwood.
  - Lion Tim Williams reported that District 31-O would like to hold a joint convention. DG Allen stated that this would be discussed at the next cabinet meeting.
- 13. Meeting was adjourned at 4:00PM

Submitted by, Lion Ron Staley Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer

#### District 31-I Zone 5 Cabinet Report November 14, 2015

Churchland - Churchland Lions projects include distributing school supplies to an elementary school and contributing to the West Davidson High School Backpack Program. They have also paid for eye exams and glasses for members of the community. One of their members delivers about 50 meals each month through the Meals on Wheels program. Churchland joined the Linwood Club for the Second Vice-District Governor's visit.

Davis-Townsend - Davis-Townsend gave a scholarship to a VIP who graduated from Central Davidson High School. This is the first time the club has had a VIP receive their scholarship. The club had members who volunteered at Camp Dogwood during the camping season and they also had 5 members who volunteered at the VIP Fishing Tournament. Lions Butch and Elizabeth Conrad attended the USA/Canada Forum and the International Convention in Hawaii. They have visited many clubs in the district since Vice District Governor Butch is part of the Governor's Team. Davis-Townsend Lions volunteered to work in the concession stand during one of Central High School's football games.

Denton - Denton Lions hosted a meeting with the Southmont Lions for their DG visit. They had a program on high school/middle school library needs after which they donated \$200 to be used for publications, books, etc. Denton Lions has had a shrimp boil and a golf tournament.

Lexington Downtown - Lexington Downtown Lions hosted a successful golf tournament. This is their main fundraiser for the year.

Linwood – Two members of the Linwood Club served for 6 days at Camp Dogwood. The club sponsored a food booth at the Davidson County Agricultural Fair in September. They invited the community volunteers who helped at the fair to attend a Lions meeting at which time they provided them a meal.

Southmont – Southmont Lions had a barbeque chicken fundraiser. They hosted a meal and meeting for the Denton Club. At that meeting PDG Theresa Matthews gave a program on the various awards available in Lionism. The Southmont Club is making plans for the November 21 visit of the Vision Van.

West Lexington – West Lexington Lions had a barbeque chicken fundraiser. One of their Lions, who is a nurse, volunteered to give flu shots at the Davidson County Lions Council raffle.

Respectfully submitted Glenda Everhart Zone 5 Chairperson

#### 11-11-2015 Zone 6 report

The county VIP Christmas party is scheduled for 12-12-2015.

#### **Club Activities-**

**Cleveland-** scholarship breakfast raised \$2500; Brunswick stew fundraiser was held on Saturday Oct 31. Will have their Christmas parade the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in Dec. The Boston butt and turkey sale will be the week before Christmas. \$30 each, and pick up day will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat in Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in January is another breakfast- all money raised goes to Brighter Vision

**Franklin Ellis-** wanting to partner with Ellis Park to help with the Senior Games; had clean up at the center; going to try to do the Magic Show again this year

**Gold Hill**- Helped out with backpack buddies and are having a raffle to support the food supply; donated \$300 in school supplies to Morgan Elem and for Arbor Day we are giving a pine tree to every student

**Rockwell-** community birthday calendar ready to be delivered; 61<sup>st</sup> charter night was held in September; broom sale for Brighter Visions; selling coupon books; helped 10 people with glasses and exams; sponsored the Ramblers to the VIP tournament

**Salisbury**- had candy day at Wal-Mart and raised \$1000; hosting the Mobile Screening Unit in Nov and Dec at Overton and Knox schools; 84<sup>th</sup> charter night in September; sponsored the Rowan Ramblers to the VIP fishing tournament

Don Conner

Chair

Zone 6

### Boys and Girls Homes and Leo Club Reports 11/14/15

#### **Boys & Girls Home**

The operating budget for the Lions Cottage is \$200,000. The government assists with over half of this budget: \$120,000. That leaves a deficit of \$80,000 that the Lions of North Carolina need to fill. Last year, the Lions of North Carolina gave \$55,000 to help fund our cottage. Great, but will still have work to do!

So, here's your challenge! If you take \$80,000 and divide it by the number of clubs in the state, each club would need to donate \$250 to help meet the operating budget for our Lions Cottage. The Governor's goal is \$1 per member, and I know no club that has 250 members, so maybe think about adding one extra fundraiser or club raffle to help meet that \$250 challenge. Currently, District I has given \$2,765 for this year 2015-2016.

Other ways that clubs can help, clubs can sponsor trips and outings for the boys of the Lions Cottage. The Lake House is a cottage for expectant teenage mothers. There is such a need that they are working on a second Lake House. Those of you with babies or grandbabies can probably guess the #1 need...diapers! They also need other consumable goods like wipes, oils, shampoos, and lotions. They do not need clothes.

Coming up for the Lions Cottage, they are currently in the silent phase of a Capital Campaign to raise money to replace the furniture in the cottage. It's expected that this will cost \$25,000. The campaign will go public in August, but you can donate as a restricted fund.

#### Leo Clubs

I'll be giving a program during the mini seminars on the Leo program so if you have questions I encourage you to attend. I also do not have the contact information for all of the current Leo clubs in our district, so if you could please send me the contact info for your Leo Advisors I'd greatly appreciate it!

I know of one new Leo Club that has just been chartered in our district. The North Davidson Middle School Leo Club will hold their Charter Night on December 1st. There is one other Leo Club charter that is in the works at Concord Middle School.

As always, I'm happy to visit your club to give programs or send information. Please just let me know!

#### **Lion Cori Cauble**

# Lions Clubs International District 31-I Fall Convention, Clemmons, NC November 14, 2015 Endowment Committee Report

The Endowment Committee is designed to encourage and promote the awarding of the John L. "Jack" Stickley Fellowship, the William L. Woolard Partner-in Service and Sid L. Scruggs III Beacon of Hope Fellowships, to honor Lions and community members that have performed exemplary service during the year. Often they are awarded at the end of the Lionistic year; however, we recommend that you also consider these awards at your Charter anniversaries.

The Jack Stickley Fellowship funds an <u>endowment</u> to assist in covering the administrative expenses of the NC Lions Incorporated.

The William L. Woolard Partner-in-Service program also funds an <u>endowment</u> as well as current Programs and Services.

The Sid L. Scruggs III Beacon of Hope Fellowship provides funds to directly support the summer camping program, and is therefore not an endowment program.

As such the committee will petition the State Convention to change the name to "Fellowships and Partners Committee". This will require a by-laws change. Our mission will not change.

So far this year District 31-I has the following totals:

JSF new 0 Total 785 leading the state WLW new 5 total 510 leading the state SLS new 3 total 32 4<sup>th</sup> in state

I have only one request for a program to date, Dobson Lions Club in May. Please call to schedule a program.

George Ohm, PDG

## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CHAIR- NOV 09, 2015 REPORT

**Goal:** "To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the People of the World" (LCI Objectives).

**Main Developed Activities.** To **sign "Twin Agreements"** with foreign Lions Clubs and to join efforts in conducting "Service Projects". Also to **interchange information with them** by using NEWSLETTERS & BULLETINS. The following "Twin Agreements" have been signed:

#### SOUTHPARK LIONS CLUB-TWINNING AGREEMENTS

CARACAS Los Chorros Lions Club- VENEZUELA. (2008-2009)

District: E-3 Club No.: 3033-0369-74

GARCA Lions Club- BRAZIL. (2009-2010)

District: LC-8 Club No.: 0173-73

QUITO CENTRAL Lions Club- ECUADOR (2009-2010)

District: LC-G 13050 Club No.: 0161-74

**LONDON WESTMINSTER Lions Club- UK (2011-2012)** 

District: : 105 A Club No.: 0774-52

PAYSANDU Lions Club- URUGUAY (2011-2012)

District: : J 1 Club No.: 0163-82

**MOUNT PEARL Lions Club- CANADA (2013-2014)** 

**District:** N 4 Club No.: 0138-47

SANTA MARTA Lions Club- COSTA RICA (2014-2015)

District: : D-4 Club No.: 1001-62

#### SPLC - TWINNING CLUBS AGREEMENTS signed in 2015.

**TUTICORIN SNOWS Lions Club- INDIA (2015-2016)** 

District: 324- B 4 Club No.: 1160-79

SIALCOT STARTS CAMPUS Lions Club- PAKISTAN (2015-2016)

District: 305- N 2 Club No.: 0774-52

VALLE del LILI Lions Club- COLOMBIA (2015-2016)

**District: F-1 Club No.: 49978** 

#### PROVIDENCE LIONS CLUB-TWINNING AGREEMENTS

GARCA University Lions Club-BRAZIL. (2009-2010)

District: LC-8 Club No.: 0173-78

SANTA MARTA Lions Club- COSTA RICA (2010-2011)

District: D-4 Club No.: 1001-62

#### JOINT SERVICE PROJECTS

- 1. 2008. Charlotte SouthPark/ Caracas Los Chorros. Eye glasses shipments. 30,000 pairs of used glasses have been submitted to Caracas-Venezuela, to be issued to people in need.
- 2. 2010. Charlotte SouthPark/ El Salvador- Santa Ana/ Ahuachapan Lions. Habitat Getsemani Project. To build in Ahuachapan, the Getsemani Village, a Project to build 138 rural houses plus Community buildings: Church, School, and a small Hospital. SPLC acted as a Project Coordinator.
- 3. 2015. "Research & Development Projects" prepared by Caracas-Los CHORROS Lions, our Twin Club:
  - **a. Radar for the Blinds**. A small device, hanged on the blind chest that allows him/her to detect obstacles in front of him/her.
  - **b. Bill notes Identifier**. A desk device that allows Blind people to identify Bill notes value.

Both projects are in a prototype status and SPLC is helping "Los Chorros" in getting the Library of Congress Copyright. Later on in production marketing.

**4. 2015. SouthPark/ Valle del Lili. "Jesus is Transformation",** a project **to recover Colombian youths from Substance Abuses.** SPLC is collaborating by making donations for equipments buying and treatment advising.

César Pérez- Sánchez International Relations Chair