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Deer Valley Lions Club President, Dave Ryan Picture In Right and ASU Campus Liond Club Members, Susan Webber, Kazuaki Kashihara and Heather Wheeler Join Together In The ASU Parade In Tempe.



Scottsdale Kachina Lion Club Members Picture In Left Michelle Reyes, Sunshine McGee, Lynel Gordon From Scottsdale McCormick Ranch Lions Club and Teresita Reyes, Scottsdale Kachina Lions Club Participate In ASU Parade.





Hey, LCIF. How are we doing?

As of now 12 Lions clubs have committed to LCIF donations: four Visionary Model Clubs, four Model Clubs, two 100 Clubs and two Classic clubs. Donations are on a Per Member Average depending on the level of the club's commitment: The Visionary Club's PMA is \$750 based on all donations between 2017-18 and 2021-22. The Model Club's PMA is \$500 based on all donations for the same period. The 100 Club's PMA is \$300 based on all donations between 2017-18 and 2020-21. The Classic Club's PMA is \$150 based on all donations between 2017-18 and 2020-21. Donations can come from any source: individual donations, business and corporate donations, designated fund raising and donations from the club treasury and all count toward the club's commitment.

Here is the status of the 12 clubs that made the LCIF commitment:

Club	Target	Paid	Status
Globe	\$13,500	\$14,423	106.84%
Sunbird	\$30,750	\$17,743	57.70%
Barangay	\$55,500	\$12,692	22.87%
Thunderbirds	\$21,750	\$11,820	54.34%
Prescott Noon	\$54,500	\$79,874	146.56%
Prescott Sunrise	\$26,000	\$14,810	56.96%
Sun Lakes	\$19,000	\$14,378	75.68%
Peoria Sunset	\$12,500	\$ 6,900	55.20%
Sun Lakes Breakfast	\$ 7,260	\$ 5,000	68.87%
Buckeye	\$ 5,700	\$ 2,140	37.54%
Phx. Valley of the Sun	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,615	53.83%
Tucson Downtown	\$ 4,500	\$ 1,800	40.00%

LCIF is very thankful to the clubs that made the commitment to support Campaign 100. They are doing a great job with their donations. There are still many clubs that could make the commitment to one of the four levels listed above. Remember, any and all donations from 2017-18 to 2020-21 count.

If you or your club is interested in finding out how to make a commitment to Campaign 100, contact your District LCIF coordinator or your MD LCIF Coordinator.

White Mountain United Petition

A group calling themselves White Mountain United issued a petition to be presented at the Pinetop-Lakeside Zoning Commission regarding the land in and around Camp Tatiyee. A Public statement was issued by the Camp stating that the management of Camp Tatiyee supports the effort of White Mountain United.

At the last Council of Governors Meeting, Pam Swanson, executive director of Camp

Tatiyee, encouraged Lions to support the efforts of the petition and to be present at the Zoning Commission meeting.

This petition is misleading at the very least.

In it the group states, "Word has it that Camp Tatiyee is being pressured to sell their land and move!" FACT: Camp Tatiyee has a five year renewable lease on the property allowing them to operate as usual for years to come.

The WMU group also said, "Please sign this petition if you believe youth camps, especially ones as special as Tatiyee (and their next door neighbor Camp Grace), need a significant

buffer." FACTS: 1. LFA and their joint venture partner have designated property as buffers around Camp Tatiyee. 2. There have been plans to deed the Rim Trail, its easements and adjacent property to the city of Pinetop-Lakeside for preservation and maintenance for a long time. Work is in progress to complete this transfer. 3. Camp Grace has already sold their property to the developer.

We appreciate the White Mountain United group's concern for their community. However, their efforts on behalf of Camp Tatiyee and Camp Grace were based on a lack of information and in some cases misinformation.

ALL STATE RC ZC WORKSHOP – SEPTEMBER 14, 2019



It was the start of a busy month for all Lions in Arizona. At the Casino Arizona in Scottsdale, all region and zone chairpersons were offered a workshop in the ins and outs of being such a position.

Those in attendance learned just how important their job is to

the Lions, the clubs, and the governors. They also learned they are the knowledge experts to encourage the clubs to grow in service and leadership. Imagine 38 Lions enjoying a great buffet lunch at the Casino and learning so much to take back to the clubs. Have a great year region and zone chairpersons. We are all in this together to grow our state.



I thank my leadership team and those who took the time to join us to share with the attendees. - PDG Barbara Daily, MD-Leadership

CLUB ACTION TEAM WORKSHOP - SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

And yet another opportunity to learn and share knowledge with each other as on Saturday, 9/28 when 113 Lions from all over the state gathered at the Chandler Sun Bird Resort for a day of sharing and learning, we all brought 1,634 years of service to the table. The end result was many went back to their clubs to share doing action plans for their clubs. Much was shared on Goal Setting with ID Alan



Lundgren, Succession Planning with IPDG Tom Price, how to do an Elevator Speech with PID Carolyn Messier, Membership Plan – more than just that, how about recruiting and retention? With AI Hunter, MD-Membership.

We also awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship and a Progressive Fellowship through fund raising right there and then for the MJF and a special drawing for the progressive. Congrats to Suzanne Ramsey of the Gilbert Lions Club on your MJF and also to Janet Morlock of the Sierra Vista Club for the progressive. This could not have been done with PIP Joe Preston who educated us on the Lions Club International Foundation and all that has been done in MD21 Arizona over the years. PDG Rosemarie Gabriel enlightened the attendees with the team roles and responsibilities and PDG Bobbie Ravenkamp brought us up to date on the Arizona Rally day of Service for all Lions on 1/25/2020. Let's all share what we learned – don't keep it to yourself – we need to share always. Thank you all – PDG Barbara Daily, MD-Leadership

MD 21 Lions Sponsor Vision Rehabilitation and Technology Expo

MD 21 Lions sponsored the VRATE (Vision Rehabilitation and Technology Expo) November 15 and 16th at the Glendale Civic Center. What an excellent support of a great service to the Blind, Visually Impaired and DeafBlind communities in Arizona.

Thank you to all of the Lions who attended and volunteered at the VRATE! The attendance by the blind and visually impaired and DeafBlind community was over 1,000 who received valuable resources and information regarding technology and support. available to them from

the 42 exhibitors and 20 speakers.

Lions, Lioness and Leos all participated in volunteering and providing this excellent program emphasizing our being "Knights of the Blind"! The Mesa Thunderbirds, Peoria Sunset Lions, Overgaard Ponderosa, Phoenix Valley of the Sun, Prescott Noon, Scottsdale Kachina, Lake Havasu, Camelback Mountain Lioness and Scottsdale Kachina LEOS were some of the Clubs who participated.

Over 30 Lions family ranging from PIP Joe

Preston to Leo Jade attended and provided service and received valuable information on resources for the community! If you have a chance next year don't miss this event as it is a great source of ways to help and become aware of opportunities for the community.

Again a big thank you to everyone who made this possible with special recognition of the Lions of Arizona and PDG Doug Harris diligent effort in acquiring a sponsorship from En-Vision America makers of Script Talk!

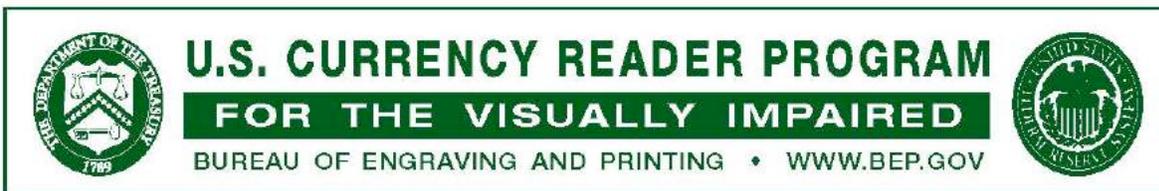


U.S. Currency Reader Program

In January 2015, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP), in partnership with the Library of Congress' National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, launched the U.S. Currency Reader Program to provide a free currency reader device called the iBill® Talking Banknote Identifier to all qualified U.S. citizens or legal residents who are blind or visually impaired.

The currency reader is a small, compact, hand-held device which quickly identifies the bill's denomination in one of three ways: a clear natural voice, a pattern of tones, or a pattern of vibrations for privacy. The vibration mode also assists people who are deaf and blind. The currency reader identifies all U.S. currency in circulation, to include the \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100 denominations.

To request a currency reader, individuals must simply fill out and mail in an application form, which is available for download on BEP's website at <http://www.bep.gov/uscurrencyreaderform.html> or by calling the U.S. Currency Reader Program office toll free at (844) 815-9388 and request that an application be mailed to you. You should allow up to eight weeks for delivery of your reader. More information about the meaningful access program can be found at the BEP's website at <http://www.bep.gov/uscurrencyreaderpgm.html>



Currency Reader Application

Complete the following to receive a currency reader. Please Print.

Last Name	First Name	M. I.
Street Address		
City	State	ZIP
Phone	E-mail address	

Applicant is a citizen or legal resident of the United States of America.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Applicant is currently a registered patron of the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled, Library of Congress. Yes No

If "Yes," no further certification is needed. If "No," verification of a visual impairment must be provided. If applicant has verification of a visual impairment issued by another Federal agency, including the Social Security Administration, or a State or local agency, submit a copy of that verification with this application in lieu of certification. Otherwise, the following statement must be completed by a Certifying Authority (see the back of this form for details.)

To Be Completed by Certifying Authority. Please Print.

I certify that the named applicant requesting a currency reader is unable to read or use regular printed material for reasons indicated on the back of this application.

Name of Certifying Authority	Title
Signature	Date
Name of Business or Organization	
Address	Phone

Mail the completed application to: U.S. Currency Reader Program, 14th & C Streets, S.W., Washington, DC 20228. Upon verification, a currency reader and operating instructions will be shipped via U.S. Postal Service. Please allow up to eight weeks for delivery. For more information please visit www.bep.gov, or call toll-free 844-815-9388.

2021 International Dues Adjustment Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Why was an international dues adjustment proposed?

In recent years, it has become increasingly clear that the services Lions Clubs International has been able to provide to members with the available budget is no longer in line with what Lions need and expect.

The Board of Directors undertook an extensive review of Lions Clubs International's financials, including the implementation of substantial budget reductions. After much consideration, the board proposed to adjust international dues.

What is the proposed international dues adjustment?

The proposed dues adjustment includes a US\$3 increase effective July 2021, raising dues to US\$46, then beginning in July 2022 dues would be adjusted annually for U.S. inflation. The annual adjustment will be calculated using a three-year inflation average that will not exceed 3.0% or be lower than 1.5% each year. The International Board of Directors built this into the model as a buffer against extreme economic conditions and the resulting inflation variations that might occur.

What would the dues adjustment look like over time?

The model below shows a projected scenario of a 1.93% annual adjustment, which is based on the three-year average rate of U.S. inflation during 2016-2018. Please note this is only a projection. The actual rate of inflation will determine the annual adjustment beginning in July 2022, with a maximum adjustment of 3% and a minimum of 1.5%.

Dues	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30
Projected amount (1.93% adjustment)	\$46	\$46.89	\$47.79	\$48.72	\$49.66	\$50.61	\$51.59	\$52.59	\$53.60

When were international dues last adjusted?

International dues have not been adjusted since 2011 even though annual inflation has been increasing the cost of operations required to do business around the world.

How do Lions Clubs International dues compare to other service organizations?

Currently, Rotary International dues are US\$68 per year. Kiwanis International charges US\$60 per year for most countries, which includes an US\$8 premium to receive their magazine.

What are international dues currently used for?

Lions Clubs International is a global organization that supports more than 1.4 million members in 48,000 clubs around the world. Through the support of Lions International staff and programs, we are able to serve globally on the level that we do, keeping members and clubs fully supported with service resources and programs, training events and software, club operational support, international convention and meetings, language services in 13 languages, technology and digital products, global marketing, PR and advertising, leadership support, and legal support and liability insurance.

How will the funds be used if the international dues adjustment is passed?

A dues adjustment will allow Lions Clubs International to provide improved support to Lions and to continue to invest in improving programs and digital products like our website and MyLion. It will also allow us to invest in new programs such as a new online learning platform, development of new curriculum such as digital literacy, training videos, membership growth initiatives, increased global advertising, marketing automation, digital and video storytelling and other tools and initiatives that will enhance our impact, our brand and our membership.

Who will decide whether or not international dues will be adjusted?

The International Board of Directors approved a resolution to adjust international dues. The proposal will be voted on at the 2020 International Convention in Singapore by the official convention delegates. If the resolution is passed, the change will take place in July 2021.

Has Lions International taken steps to reduce expenses?

Lions Clubs International completed a rigorous financial review and took the following steps to reduce expenses:

- Operating budgets were reduced.
- Vendor contracts were renegotiated to yield savings.
- Programs were cut after thorough review and consideration of value to members and return on investment (ROI).

Will this change my local club dues?

The adjustment to international dues is independent of your club, district or multiple district membership dues. It is up to each club, district and multiple district to establish dues that allow them to operate and serve as needed in their communities.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

ARIZONA MISSION OF MERCY (AZMOM) DECEMBER 13TH & 14TH TO PROVIDE VISION SCREENINGS

VOLUNTEERS are needed for SPOT VISION screenings at the AZMOM event December 13th and 14th at the Veterans Memorial Coliseum where over 2,000 patients receive free dental care and vision screenings. This will be the fifth year Arizona LIONS will partner to offer free VISION SCREENINGS and Vision Service Providers (VSP) Gift Certificates to qualifying patients.

Spot vision screeners are needed to insure all patients have their eyes screened. The Arizona Vision and Hearing Foundation will offer free reading glasses and sunglasses and also provide any patient with diabetes or not qualifying for a VSP Gift Certificate with an eye exam and eyeglasses.

The doors open at 6:00 am and close 6:00 pm on Friday and Saturday. Your help is needed on both or either day to assist with vision screenings, selecting reading glasses or writing up VSP Gift Certificates.

Volunteer for four hours or the entire day. There is a need for many Lion volunteers. Last year Arizona Lions provided vision screenings to 821 individuals, this year with your help we plan to exceed that number.

To sign up e-mail liondonna.harris@gmail.com, or phone or text 602-617-8051. Please advise what hours you are available for this rewarding and very busy LIONS' event. Breakfast and Lunch is provided free to all volunteers.

ARIZONA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE DEC 17-19, 2019 LIONS OF ARIZONA PARTICIPATION

The Lions of Arizona will have a booth at the 2019 ASBA conference, located at JW Marriott Desert Ridge, 5350 E Marriott Drive in Phoenix (Tatum & the 101). There will be between 500 & 600 attendees. The purpose is two-fold. One, is to promote Lions as the state's preeminent provider of vision screening services; to make the districts aware of the VSP program through Lions; and to get commitments to sign up. Two, is to promote Lionism and get contact information for as many attendees as possible; promote LEO Clubs in their schools; and other opportunities in the schools. Those in attendance are school board members and school administrators, who would be welcome in any club. The information will be divided by district and sent to the DG for processing. Every person is expected to be invited to a meeting as a prospective member.

Every club is expected to participate in providing prizes, as each attendee will fill out an entry or provide a business card as a drawing entry. **Each club is asked to bring 1 door prize (gift card, useful item, or cash donation) to the Mid-Year Conference on November 2, 2019.** Items will be collected and distributed at the ASBA conference. Everyone is also requested to bring any extra copies of the Lion Magazine for display. State projects are welcome to provide flyers/handouts for the display table.

A few knowledgeable Lions are needed to help staff the booth and provide information to attendees. One LEO is welcome to attend each shift in lieu of one Lion. Please email 1stVDG Richard Hopkins at buckeyelions@yahoo.com to request a volunteer time.

Tuesday, Dec 17

Booth setup is 1pm. That is pretty much covered. One volunteer to do all the hard work would be appreciated.

400pm – 630pm Three Lions for the exhibition kickoff reception.

Wednesday, Dec 18

1000am – 1pm Three Lions needed. Exhibition opens.

1pm – 4pm Three Lions needed.

4pm – 730pm Four Lions needed. Exhibition closes 700pm, clean up & tear down until 730pm.

1stVDG Richard will be at the conference and usually in the booth. He will bring all items for set up and take all items after tear down.



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MELVIN JONES LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL



BE PART OF YOUR RE-DEDICATION TO LIONISM
ALONG WITH CELEBRATING OUR 52nd ANNIVERSARY

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2020 AT 10:30 AM

**MELVIN JONES LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL,
15756 West Hwy #70, FORT THOMAS, AZ**

SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL GUEST SPEAKER

2nd VICE PRESIDENT, BRIAN SHEEHAN

WILL ENGAGE US WITH THE FUTURE
OF LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL



Plan to attend the after ceremony luncheon at Eastern Arizona College
immediately following the re-dedication ceremony.

Please bring non-perishable food for the local food bank.

For overnight stays, contact Springhill Suite Marriott at 928.428.6900
Reservation code: "lions2020"

Name: _____ Club: _____ District: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

LUNCH COST (postmarked by Dec 30, 2019) Number attending: _____ x \$30.00 = \$ _____

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHOICE: MEAL BUFFET: _____ OR VEGETARIAN: _____ **NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR**

Make checks payable to MJLIM Mail to: PDG Les Daviet, P.O. Box 519, Laveen, AZ 85339-0519
602.525.2377 - lesdavietii@gmail.com



ALL MD-21 Clubs:

Please save this date:

Saturday, January 25, 2020 for our MD-21

Arizona Lions Service Rally Day

Not a meeting nor a fundraiser - Service!

All 110 Arizona Lions Clubs schedule and participate in a service activity whether as an individual club or partnered with another group. The target is for Arizona Lions to collectively serve more than 5000 on the same day to project our visibility and let our state know just what Arizona Lions do in and for our communities. And yes, document with photos!

More info and ideas at the MD-21 Leadership Conference November 1-3, 2019. Governors, Region and Zone Chairs say it can be done! Let's do it!

DISTRICT 21 A

DG David Pryce

“Just Being Lions”

As we enter the month of December, our thoughts naturally turn to the start of the Winter season and the joyous celebrations that are celebrated during this month. Whether you are Christian celebrating the birth of the savior, or Jewish celebrating the re-dedication of the 2nd Temple in Jerusalem with the Festival of Lights, Hanukkah, or members of those African American communities that celebrate the joy of unity in Kwanzaa, the over-riding sentiment is

of love for one another and trying to help those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Being a Lion is grounded in that love for one another and that desire to serve our communities to make them a better place for all members of our society. Our organization provides the almost perfect blend of those feelings and the where with all to act upon them to serve our fellow man. We Lions should be proud to exclaim the virtues of being a Lion and

for all that we are able to accomplish.

I want to wish all of the Lions in Multiple District 21 a joyous celebration of this season, whether it be a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, or Joyous Kwanzaa and may all of you and yours arrive at the New Year safely and in good health. As always, I encourage all to just “Be a Lion”.



The Zuni Hills Elementary School of Peoria conducts a program each year to honor Veterans. The students can ask a veteran to attend the program to be honored. This year one of those veterans that was honored was Bob McCracken. He is a WW2 veteran who served in the Navy. The

program consisted of the presentation of flags, flag salute, band music, choral music, a keynote speaker, and then introduction of all the veterans attending. Mr McCracken was the only WW2 veteran in attendance. He was invited to attend the program by Lindsey White. Lindsey is the

Zuni Hills Elementary School Honors Veterans



Granddaughter of Don and Becky White, who like Mr McCracken, are Lions in the Sun City Midweek Bell Lions Club.

JUSTUS Center Helping Homeless Seniors



The Sun City Midweek Bell Lions Clubs speaker this past month was Oly Cowles. He is with the JUSTUS Center. This is a program that serves the growing population of homeless seniors age 55+ in the metro Phoenix region. They offer a safe haven, advocate, trusted

partner and resource for seniors who are homeless and desire to return to housing. Their web site is WWW.JUSTACENTER.ORG, where more information can be obtained.

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Pictured in the Photo from left to right are Ruthie Dent, Speaker Oly Cowles and Lion Becky White.



WORKING TOGETHER WHAT LIONS DO!

On Saturday, November 16th approximately 40 Lions and Boy Scouts came together to provide a much needed service to our community. Boy Scout Jaden Mc Comber wanted to sort glasses to earn his Eagle Scout

Badge. Through hard work, lots of camaraderie and just plain fun we sorted in excess of 100,000 pair of glasses that can now be gotten ready for sight missions. Those glasses that were not usable will be recycled and the money realized will go toward much needed eye surgeries. Because of this fantastic effort all

of our glasses are now sorted. The generosity of the Lions in collecting glasses as well as the donation of glasses from both Wal-Mart and American Airlines keep our coffers full of glasses to be used as needed. THANK YOU to all that assisted in this undertaking. Remember Just Be A Lion and have FUN!!



DISTRICT 21A CONVENTION

Saturday February 29, 2020

AZ Center for the Blind – 31st St. & Roosevelt

AGENDA

8:00 AM	Meet & Greet/Registration <i>Coffee & Pastries</i>	(Club attire or business casual)
9:00 AM	Call to order Invocation Pledge of Allegiance Patriotic Song Introduction of Dignitaries Welcome & Introduction Phoenix City Council Person Roll Call of Cabinet & Clubs Approval of Minutes & Financial reports Global Team Reports (5 minutes each) GLT – Leadership GMT – Membership GST – Service	District Governor David Pryce 21A Chaplain Linda Finley 1 st VDG Richard Hopkins PCC Ron Brown PCC Joan Williamson PCC Ralph Williamson CST Linda Finley 1 st VDG Richard Hopkins IPDG Tom Price Lion Brian Woloshin PDG Jack & Lion Karen Buckles
	Wild Life Zoo Presentation	
	Tail Twister	Lion Rachelle Barrett
	“Walk Down Memory Lane”	PDG’s – PID’s –PIP
	Recess	
Noon	Lunch	
1:00 PM	Introduction of Speaker Speaker 21A Presentations Entertainment Announcements: MD21 Convention – May 10-11 – Mesa LCI Convention Milan, Italy July 5 th -9 th , 2019 Raffle Drawing Winner’s Announced Closing remarks	PCC Ralph Williamson PID Dave Roberts DG David Pryce Sun City Pom Dancers PID N. Alan Lundgren PDG Les Daviet Phoenix Metro Lions DG David Pryce
3:00 PM	Benediction – Chaplain Linda Finley	

MD 21 Council Meeting to follow the closing of the Convention – plan on attending



THE ARIZONA CENTER FOR THE BLIND
LFA COMPLEX – 3100 E. ROOSEVELT ST. (enter off 31st St.)

“WALK WITH US DOWN MEMORY LANE”

This is our last District 21A Convention, please join us, have fun and refresh your memories of things of the past from our very Special Speakers!

February 29, 2020

REGISTRATION FORM
Please use one form per LION

NAME: _____ NON-LION SPOUSE: _____
ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____
CITY, ST: _____ ZIP: _____
E-MAIL: _____ E-MAIL: _____

DISTRICT: (Circle ONE) 21A 21B 21C

CLUB: _____ OFFICE: _____

Before January 15, 2020

Registration Includes Lunch (Circle One) _____ @ \$25.00 \$ _____
Pasta with Salad Salad Only

TOTAL \$ _____

After January 15, 2019

Registration Includes Lunch (Circle One) _____ @ \$30.00 \$ _____
Pasta with Salad Salad Only

TOTAL \$ _____

Make Checks Payable To: District 21A Convention

**Mail Checks To: PCC Joan Williamson
3930 W Camino Acequia
Phoenix, AZ 85051-1063**

Any Questions Contact PCC Joan at jwlion@ctcaz.com or 602-622-9830

DISTRICT 21 B

DG Chris Gibbs

“Catch a Dream”



What is your Club’s service dream? Have you taken time to evaluate your Clubs’ presence and impact in the community you serve? Is your assessment accurate and in-depth OR are you just accepting your “status quo”?

Regular “Community Needs Assessments” are a necessary part of Lions service. They aid in our planning and operation of service projects. Sitting down and taking input from your community leadership and even other service organizations really is the way to determine what you want to accomplish. They will also serve as a barometer or measure of how well your Club is already meeting those needs.

Okay, so how do you do a needs assessment? LCI does offer guidelines, but why not start with a simple sit-down session with Club members and maybe some other

“like-minded” community people. I’m a real fan of pure “brainstorming”. Have everyone just blurt out service ideas as they think of them. Be ready with a couple of posters or white boards ready with scribes to quickly record your ideas. **STAY ON TASK!** It’s very important in brainstorming to avoid any discussion of these ideas until everything is written. It’s human nature to want to respond immediately, but work at holding off any discussion. Spending this time talking about the details is not productive, YET. In Air Force brainstorming sessions, we emphasized a need for thoughts at 40,000 feet, not down in the weeds.

Once you have compiled a listing of general ideas, now is the time to start a discussion of each one. Don’t hesitate to discard some ideas and there are bound to be some ideas seemingly outside the scope of your Club’s capabilities, but with all good ideas there

are solutions. Separate committees can be derived to explore solutions. Maybe paring down your Club’s involvement or “ownership”. Collaboration with other service organizations is a great way to serve BIG needs and even find more new members. Don’t be afraid to include others!

Sort through your finished listings and define short-term plans and also make some long-term plans. Meaningful activities and service projects are planned and defined through thoughtful discussion and assessment of the community you serve.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!

Find the needs. Develop as many visible projects and activities as you are able. Always invite others to help. Teach our credo of service. Let others see what you do. Show others how to Catch a Dream of Service.



DIABETES



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SUN LAKES LIONS CLUB

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Casino Night

All proceeds Benefitting

Lions Camp Tatiyee

Saturday January 18th

5:00 until 8:30 P.M.

Sun Lakes Country Club

25601 N. Sun Lakes Blvd.

Blackjack, Texas Hold-um, Bingo, Roulette, Craps

Tickets-\$20.00...receive \$500.00 in play chips, and a free Buffet ticket for the Ak-Chin Casino in Maricopa.

More Than \$1,000.00 of great prizes, Including:

50 "-TV, Smokeless Grill, Air Fryer, Emeril Knife set, Insta Pot, just to name a few.

Tickets at the door or at the Sun Lakes Country club office counter.

DISTRICT 21C

DG Marie Cunning

“Emerging Voices In Servant Leadership”



HELLO LIONS!!!

November has proven to be quite interesting.

The Multiple District Conference Nov. 1-3 hosted by District 21-B was a success and the elections for the Incoming District Governors (See results from last month's article) and the redistricting went with only a couple of glitches.

Service Activities galore were held just this past weekend. I heard that the VRATE (Vision Rehabilitation and Assistive Technology Expo) 2019 event held at the Glendale Civic Center Last Nov. 15 and 16 and championed by none other than our very own PCC Tom Simmons and PDG Doug Harris was well attended. The 3 District Governors all agree that this is something we should participate in every year and have a budget for.

The recently concluded Asian Festival held at the Scottsdale Civic Plaza last November 16

and 17 where the Lions had a booth was also a great recruiting and advertising avenue for the 21-C Lions. Unfortunately only several clubs showed up to volunteer to man the booth. Those that did volunteer and stayed all weekend were able to get potential recruits and collaborative opportunities for service projects with other cultural communities. The abundance of food booths however, had an adverse effect on my diet and when it comes to food and desserts, I must admit, I must have added 2 lbs in one day. I did get a chance to chat with some Laotian Millennials who are gung-ho in chartering their very own Lions Club, which brings the potential new club count for District 21-C to 4 charter clubs. We are just waiting for the charter paperwork from Lions International and we can soon announce the 4 clubs to be chartered.

The Fountainhills Community Club is having their Inaugural annual Thanksgiving Parade on

Thanksgiving Day Nov. 28. We welcome you all to come join the parade. For more information, please contact Lion President Laura Olson. I hope to see you at the Parade.

Thanksgiving is a day for us to contemplate all our blessings and how much we have shared this to those not as fortunate as us. My hope for you all is that your blessings multiply a hundred fold and in so doing you can reach out and spread more blessings to your communities.

I leave you with another quote I read recently from an unknown author: "You can give without loving but you cannot love without giving"

So go out there my Lions and love abundantly.....



Phoenix Valley of the Sun LC President, Richard Leibhaber, volunteers at Monarch Bar at 122 E. Washington who opens up its doors during off hours to teens and their families. The program is called Hash Tag Lunch Bag. Once a month they put together hygiene and lunch bags which are given out the same day to the homeless.





Lion Richard Leibhaber, President of Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club providing Thanksgiving Dinner at St. Vincent de Paul for the homeless with a twist.



It's a Holiday Party !

Phoenix Valley of the Sun Lions Club cheerfully invites you to our holiday party

When: December 11, 2019

Where: LFA Complex, 3124 E. Roosevelt St., Bldg D. Phoenix, AZ 85008

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$20

Serving Mexican food, including enchiladas, chicken or cheese, Mini Chimis, beef tacos, cheese crisps, rice and beans and lots of chips and salsa! Seasonal desserts and soft drinks!

Join the family atmosphere of the Valley of the Sun Lions Club.

We will draw the winner of our Holiday raffle and have 50/50 drawing for those attending.

We are asking everyone who attends to bring an unwrapped toy which will be donated to Toys for Tots!

Please RSVP with the number of people to Lion Tom by December 7th

at LHDWT@cox.net or 602 246 7339

Please come and enjoy the season with us and make a child happy!



CASINO NIGHT FUNDRAISER

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT: Midwest Food Bank,
Resurrection Street Ministry and Lions Club
Charities.**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2020

Meal served 4-6 p.m. & Gaming from 4-8 p.m.

Location: Midwest Food Bank, 725 E. Baseline Road, Gilbert, Az.

PLAY: TEXAS HOLD'EM ♦ BLACK JACK ♦ CRAPS

\$25 Per Person, includes meal. (Cash, check, MC or Visa)

Admission includes \$500 Lions Play Money!

(Must be 21 or older)

EVENT INCLUDES: Silent Auction (cash, check, MC or Visa)

**SIGNATURE SPONSOR: M&S Sporting Goods, Inc.,
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Scottsdale Kachina Lions Club
**SAVE THE EARTH
GO GREEN**

Join us Plant Trees on April 4, 2020

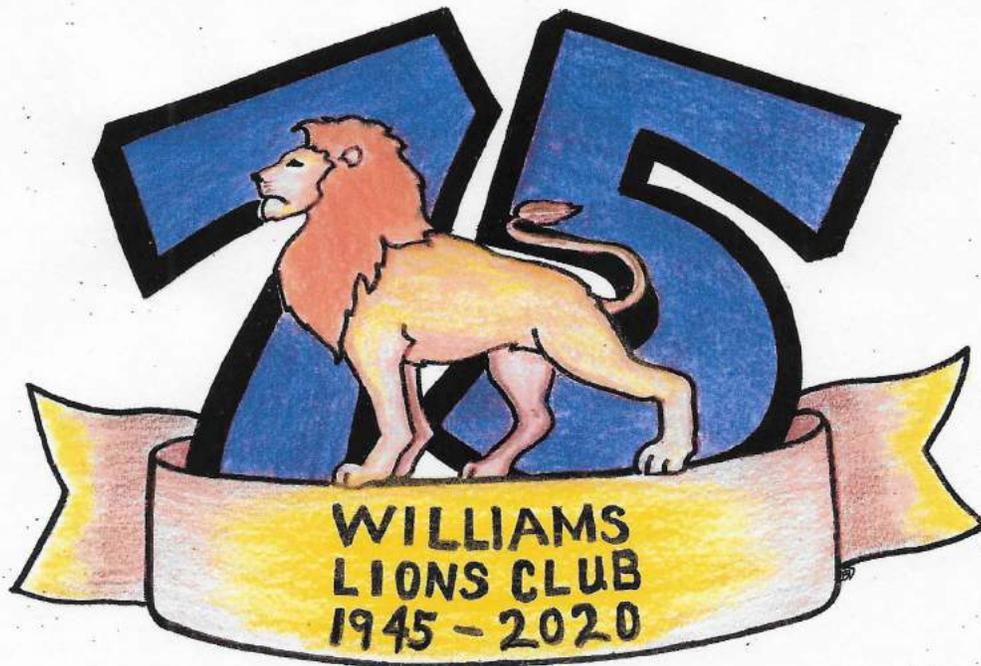


Vista del Camino Park

7700 E Roosevelt Street, Scottsdale 85257

For more info contact

Norma Saldana 480.529.2299 / Teresita B. Reyes 480.351.9389



Lions, Tigers and Bearizona

Help us celebrate our 75 years of service

Friday	3/20/2020	Bearizona Charter Party
Saturday	3/21/2020	D21-C Convention
Sunday	3/22/2020	Ride "The Train"

- Friday** Come early and enjoy BEARIZONA DRIVE-THRU WILDLIFE PARK. It's about a two hour adventure. Tell the nice gate attendant that you're a Lion for our group rate.
The Williams Lions Club Charter Party is at the *CANYONLANDS* Restaurant with-in the Park. Party starts at 5:30 PM, dinner at 6:30, presentation to follow. If you do not wish to drive through the Park tell the nice gate attendant you've come for the Williams Lions Club Charter Party at the restaurant.
- Saturday** Breakfast on your own; there are several good places close.
Attend (the last) 21C Convention At Miss Kitty's 642 E Rt. 66 Williams, 86046
Lunch, later Dinner, and fun at Miss Kitty's.
- Sunday** Breakfast on your own; there are several good places close.
Ride "THE TRAIN" to the Grand Canyon & Back.
It's a 6 hour round trip with a ninety minute stop at the Canyon.
The train departs at 9:30 AM returns at 3:30 PM. Don't miss the 9:00 AM show before.
For tickets on line go to THETRAIN.COM use promo code 2133844



MD 21C CONVENTION & 3RD CABINET MEETING

MARCH 20 - 22, 2020

Miss Kitty's @ the RedRoof Plus+
 642 E Rt. 66, Williams, AZ 86046
 928-635-4431

REGISTRATION FORM

(please use separate form for each Lion)

Lion Lioness LEO CC DG VDG ID PIP PCC PDG
 (CIRCLE ONE)

(NAME)

(ADDRESS)

(CITY)

(STATE)

(ZIP CODE)

(E-MAIL)

(PHONE)

LIONS CLUB: _____

CLUB OFFICE: _____

DISTRICT: 21-A 21-B 21-C
 (CIRCLE ONE)

DISTRICT OFFICE: _____

(BEFORE MARCH 6, 2020)

District Registration Fee	\$25.00	_____
Friday, Williams Lions 75th Charter Party @ the BEARIZONA, CANYON LANDS RESTAURANT	\$30.00	_____
Saturday Breakfast; on your own		
Saturday Luncheon	\$25.00	_____
Saturday evening Dinner & Entertainment	\$30.00	_____
Chicken ___ Fish ___ Vegetarian ___		
Sunday Breakfast; on your own		

TOTAL \$ _____

(AFTER MARCH 6, 2020)

District Registration Fee	\$30.00	_____
Friday, Williams Lions 75th Charter Party @ the BEARIZONA, CANYON LANDS RESTAURANT	\$35.00	_____
Saturday Breakfast; on your own		
Saturday Luncheon	\$30.00	_____
Saturday evening Dinner & Entertainment	\$35.00	_____
Chicken ___ Fish ___ Vegetarian ___		
Sunday Breakfast; on your own		

TOTAL \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to: [Williams Lions Club, P.O. Box 277 Williams, AZ 86046](#)

Friday: *BEARIZONA* Wildlife Park Tour & Party
 Sunday: *THE TRAIN to the Grand Canyon*

Tell-m "you're a Lion" at the gate
 Register on-line, use code: 2133844

ROOM RESERVATIONS:

RedRoof Plus+ PH: 928-635-4431
 642 E Rt. 66, Williams, AZ 86046
 Room Rate \$89.00 Fri. & Sat., \$79.00 Sun. nights plus tax, until February 20th of 2020

Tell-m "you're a Lion" when you call
redroof.com redroofwilliams@gmail.com

Camp Tatiyee Financial Situation Clarification

As was reported in October, Camp Tatiyee was able to get a major donation from the Flagstaff Sunrise Lions Club. That donation helped the Camp with the losses we suffered last year with the federal tax law changes. We suffered a \$32,000 decrease in the Qualifying Tax Credit and an \$83,000 decrease in Camperships for our fiscal year.

As you can see, last year was a huge challenge for Lions Camp Tatiyee. This donation helped bring us back within shooting distance of our goals. We will continue to educate the public that the Arizona Qualifying

Tax Credit was not affected by the federal tax law changes.

Also, did you know if you have a 401K with a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) you can donate directly to the camp. The direct donation is not considered income and meets the requirements of the RMD. Please ask a board member for more details, or better yet, request a presentation to your club. We are happy to help.

Lastly, the signing of the lease/occupancy agreement with LFA unfortunately did not make things ok with our potential capital donors. The agreement has a statement that both parties,

LCT and LFA, will work toward a purchase agreement of the land and result in Camp Tatiyee having the title to the land. Currently, LFA has the title and owns the land. Only when the title to the land where Camp Tatiyee resides is in the name of LCT will the capital grantors be ok with the situation.

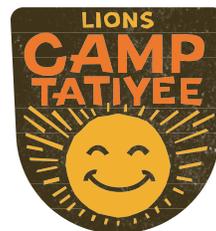
Many thanks for all each of you do to support the Camp. It does not go unnoticed.

Sincerely,
Kathleen King
President,
Lions Camp Tatiyee Board of Directors



MAKE A GIFT CHANGE A LIFE

Your gift will empower a camper with special or differing needs and change their life forever! Camp Tatiyee is the only free special needs summer camp in Arizona.



HOW DOES THE TAX CREDIT WORK?



Visit ArizonaLionsCamp.org/Donors to pledge your support today with a credit card or fill out the form below and mail to listed address. You will be sent an acknowledgement for tax purposes. This tax credit does NOT conflict with school or foster care tax credits.

Complete this form and mail to: **Lions Camp Tatiyee PO Box 6910 Mesa, AZ 85216**
Lions Camp Tatiyee is a 501(c)3 non-profit that operates solely on the generosity of people just like you.
This donation to Lions Camp Tatiyee may be claimed as an itemized deduction on your federal tax return.

NAME: _____
 STREET: _____
 CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____
 AMOUNT OF DONATION: \$ _____
 CHECK ENCLOSED PAYABLE TO LIONS CAMP TATIYEE

Qualifying Charitable Organization Tax Credit code: 20677



Lions Pinetop Land Acquisition Update

Brief History: Following a request from our sister AZ Lions state project - Lions Camp Tatiyee (LCT), the Lions Foundation of Arizona (LFA) agreed to create a campaign in 1998 to acquire a 344 acre parcel from the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) - by way of a land exchange of equal valued properties. Lions Camp Tatiyee is the original permitted occupant on this parcel. As the value of the USFS land increased substantially over the years, LFA brought in a strategic partner to provide the additional land assets needed to complete the exchange. Thanks to the efforts of this partnership and USFS, the exchange was completed in October 2018.

As a result of the exchange, the partnership transferred to LFA approximately 44 acres of free and clear land, thus fulfilling the goal to provide LCT with the security of knowing the Lions of Arizona owned the footprint of LCT and land surrounding it. Finally, the sixty-year Lions related investment into improvements and buildings, worth an estimated value of three million dollars, is validated on the LCT financial books.

Protecting Camp Tatiyee and Rim Trail from outside development:

As the property owner of the Pinetop land for MD21 AZ Lions, LFA continues to work with our partner to establish and foster relationships with the neighboring community and governmental leadership of Pinetop/Lakeside. The LFA property management agenda includes actively working to protect LCT and the Rim Trail, by meeting with entities who share the passion for proper stewardship of AZ Lions' White Mountain properties - Rim Trail and LCT. Key provisions have been put in place to provide generous buffer zones around these cherished properties:

Specific Proposals for Protection of Camp Tatiyee:

- ✓ **To the East** - Highway 260
- ✓ **To the South** - The proposed commercial shopping center. Our partnership negotiated a 150 ft natural buffer between the Camp's land and the commercial property, preserving old growth trees, and adding access trails from the west to Highway 260. LTC's facilities are more than 500 ft from this 150 ft new buffer zone.
- ✓ **To the West** – Our partner has committed to leave the old 300 Road in a natural state as a walking/riding trail for the use by the public - a boundary buffer west of the camp.
- ✓ **To the North** - The Rim Trail forms a buffer for LTC.

Specific Proposals for Protection of the Rim Trail:

- ✓ At the completion of the land exchange, our partnership made the Rim Trail a permanent easement, as suggested by the USFS. The partnership is now negotiating with Pinetop/Lakeside to transfer ownership for the Rim Trail and the easement along with a 200 ft wide strip between LCT and Camp Grace from Hwy 260 to the 300 Road, to the town, which would result in permanent public ownership of this popular historic trail.

Lease/Occupancy Agreement: On September 28, 2019, LCT and LFA signed a long-term lease agreement, designed to protect LFA and LCT business operations. The lease includes an addendum, requested by LCT, allowing LCT a future option to acquire title to the land by reimbursing LFA a substantial portion of the money/assets LFA invested into the USFS land exchange. LFA and LCT both willingly agree to continue to negotiate to reach a mutually acceptable agreement.

Credit for Donations made to Qualifying Charitable Organizations

Tax credits providing an easy way to help you help us

Here's how:

- Taxpayers filing as "single" & "head of household" status may claim a maximum credit of \$400.
- Taxpayers filing as "married filing separate" may claim a maximum credit of \$400.
- Taxpayers that file as "married filing joint" may claim a maximum credit of \$800.

You do not have to itemize deductions to claim a credit for contributions to a qualifying charitable organization. This is a dollar-for-dollar tax credit that can lower the amount of your state taxes owed.

Beginning with the 2016 tax year, credit eligible contributions made to a Qualifying Charitable Organization or Qualifying Foster Care Charitable Organization that are **made on or before April 15th (the 15th day of the fourth month following the close of the taxable year)** may be applied to either the current or the preceding taxable year and is considered to have been made on the last day of that taxable year.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Always contact a tax professional for expert advice on your specific tax situation. For more information on this tax credit (A.R.S. §43-1088), please contact the Arizona Department of Revenue at (602-255-3381 or access their web site at www.revenue.state.az.us. (SB1216 passed by Arizona State Legislator's 2016)

The AZ Lions Vision & Hearing Foundation of MD21 is a non-profit, non-sectarian charitable 501 c 3 organization.

Complete this form and mail to:



**Arizona Lions Vision & Hearing Foundation of MD21
3124 E. Roosevelt St. Bldg. D #1, Phoenix, AZ 85008**



Under the Arizona Charitable Tax Credit Law (A.R.S. §43-1088) for Contributions to Qualifying Charities, Taxpayers filing as "single" & "head of household" status may claim a maximum credit of \$400. Taxpayers filing as "married filing separate" may claim a maximum credit of \$400. Taxpayers that file as "married filing joint" may claim a maximum credit of \$800.

This credit is allowed in addition to the tax credit for schools. You will be sent an acknowledgement for tax purposes, your check must include the code number below.

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone** _____

E-mail: _____ **Amount of donation: \$** _____ **Code #20188**

**Please make check payable to: AZ Lions Vision & Hearing Foundation
3124 E. Roosevelt St. Bldg. D #1, Phoenix, AZ 85018**

Thank you for your help.



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Calendar of Events

2019

Dec	7	Sunbird Lions Club Golf for Childhood Cancer	Chandler	PDG Fred Garmeson 480 818-3603
Dec	13-14	AZMOM Veterans Memorial Coliseum	Phoenix	Donna Harris 602 617-8051
Dec	17-19	AZ School Board Association Annual Conference Invites All Lions	Phoenix	1st VDG Dist. 21A Richard Hopkins buckeyelions@yahoo.com

2020

Jan	11	Casino Night Fundraiser Mesa Lions Club Foundation & Charities	Mesa	Jim Sterenberg 480 236-8836 David Webster 480 695-3935 Barb Worthington 480 985-1834 PDG Les Daviet 602 525-2377
Jan	18	Melvin Jones Lions International Re-Dedication	Ft. Thomas	PDG Les Daviet 602 525-2377
Jan	18	Sun Lakes Lions Club Casino Night at Sun Lakes Country Club	Sun Lakes	
Jan	25	Arizona Lions Service One Day Rally	Statewide	Info at Nov 1-3 Mid Year Conference
Feb	29	3rd Council Meeting-Best Western Hotel	Phoenix	PCC Larry Palmer
Feb	29	21A Convention-LFA Complex Arizona Center for the Blind Building	Phoenix	PCC Ralph Williamson 602 622-2401
Mar	20-22	District 21C Convention-3rd Cabinet Meeting	Williams	DGE Marie Cuning
Apr	3-4	District 21B Convention-3rd Cabinet Meeting	Safford	DGE Chris Gibb
Apr	4	Scottsdale Kachina Lions Club Save the Earth Go Green	Scottsdale	Norma Saldana 480 529-2299 Teresita Reyes 480 351-9389
May	15	4th MD21 Council Meeting-Mesa Hilton	Mesa	CCE Larry Palmer
May	15-17	MD21 Convention-4th District Cabinet Meetings	Mesa	CCE Larry Palmer & DGE Chris Gibbs
July	26-30	103rd Annual International Convention	Singapore	
Sept	17-19	USA/Canada Forum	Louisville, Kentucky	
Nov	20-22	Mid Year 2020 Embassy Suites	Tempe	PDG Fred Garmeson

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June	25-29	104th Annual International Convention	Montreal, Quebec	
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