

District 7-L Cabinet Meeting
June 28, 2014
Western Sizzlin, Arkadelphia
9:30 – 10:15 a.m.

ATTENDANCE: CABINET: DG James Griffin (Hope), DGE Bob DeVinney (HSV Evening), 1st VDG Maxine Crittenden (Texarkana Evening), 2nd VDG John Collier (Hope), Sec. Nell Rockett (HSV Evening), Treas. Emile Lauber (HSV Evening), Zone 2 Chair Joanne Blos (HS Jesse D. Hawkins), Zone 5 Chair Elane Cecil (Texarkana Evening), Zone 6 Chair John Collier (Hope), Honorary Chair Bill Mertins (Arkadelphia), GLT Don Draper (HSV Breakfast), LCIF Chair Bruce Davis (HSV Evening), Mid-South Coord/PDG Art Ritter (Bryant), WSB/Sight Conversations Chair Dave DeGraff (HSV Evening), Leo Chair/PDG John Lewis (Saratoga).

CLUBS: Pres. Dick Welch (Benton), Pres. Jimmie Crittenden (Texarkana Evening), Pres. Morris Cash (Hot Springs)

PLEDGE: Led by PDG Art Ritter **PRAYER:** By 2nd VDG John Collier

DISTRICT 7-L CABINET MEETING MINUTES:

Minutes were sent via email prior to the meeting. Motion was made by DGE Bob DeVinney and seconded by GLT Don Draper to approve the April 26, 2014 Cabinet Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Emile Lauber disseminated the financial report as of June 28, 2014. The report showed a beginning balance of \$4,907.97 with an income from dues and convention of \$13,471.02 resulting in total funds of \$18,378.99. Expenses of \$12,916.93 subtracted from the total funds left a balance of \$5,462.06.

OLD BUSINESS:

It was reported that all PU101 Officer Reporting Forms were in except for Delight.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. DG Griffin reported that the Emergency Alert Grant of \$15,000 awarded to Camden had not all been spent. Camden will need to

write a check for the remaining unspent funds to District 7L. In turn, the district will submit that remaining amount to LCI.

2. Incoming treasurer Jim O'Connor presented the proposed District 7L budget for 2014-15. Budget indicates estimated available funds of \$20,850, estimated expenses totaling \$13,150. Other proposed expenses include: district governor expenses \$1,750, 1st VDG expenses \$500, 2nd VDG \$1,500 (includes expenses to attend US/Canada forum in Puerto Rico), cabinet secretary expenses \$200, and cabinet treasurer expenses \$150, all totaling \$4,100. So, with total expenditures of \$17,250 subtracted from available funds of \$20,850 there should be an estimated forward balance of \$3,600. Lion Joanne Blos made a motion and Lion John Lewis seconded to accept, as amended, the proposed budget for 2014-15. Motion passed.

RECOGNITIONS:

DG Griffin made the following award presentations:

1. Guiding Lions Awards:
 - Lion Claudia Griffin (Hope)
 - Lion Jimmie Crittenden (Texarkana Evening)
 - 2nd DVG John Collier (Hope)
 - Lion Pete Beck (HSV Evening)
 - DGE Bob DeVinney (HSV Evening)
 - DG James Griffin (Hope)
 - Lion Rene Roberts (Mena Lioness)
 - Lion Elane Cecil (Texarkana Evening)
 - 1st DVG Maxine Crittenden (Texarkana Evening)
2. Chair Persons' Awards:
 - Lion John Collier, District Convention Chair
 - Lion Suzanne Cain, Eye Bank
 - Lion Don Draper, GLT
 - Lion Bruce Davis, LCI & PDG
 - Lion Art Ritter, Mid-South Cood.
 - Lion Dave DeGraff, WSB
 - Lion John Lewis, Leo Club
3. Zone Chair Pins:

All zone chairs received a Zone Chair pin and left over pins will be used next year.

4. Dream Achievers Pins:

- Lion Dick Welch, Benton (for increase of club membership)
- Lion Nell Rockett, District 7L Secretary
- Lion John Lewis, new Leo Clubs
- Lion Curtis Johnson, Prescott
- Lion Charles Haynie, GMT (memberships and new club)

5. Follow Your Dream Pins:

- Lion Emile Lauber, serving 6 years as treasurer of D7L
- Lion Elane Cecil, assisting with new Leo Clubs
- Lion Charles Haynie, GMT (new members/new club)

6. Stars pins:

- Lion Joan Draper, assisting husband Don Draper, GLT
- Lion Claudia Griffin, providing technology services
- Lion Bill Freeman, serving as mentor to DG
- Lion Charlotte Young, work with the Camden Relief Fund
- Lion Kirk Babb, president of the new Little River Lions Club

7. Lion Emile Lauber was recognized with a plaque for his six year service as treasurer to District 7L.

8. Lion Don Draper was recognized for his three year service as GLT and his outstanding officer training. Will receive plaque later.

9. The Club Visitation certificate and patch presented to Hot Springs Village Evening Lions for making the most visits to other D7L clubs.

COMMITTEE & ZONE REPORTS:

No reports given.

WRAP-UP:

DG Griffin read a memo written years ago by then District Governor Jimmy Carter (18-C Georgia). He wrote in response to one of his clubs planning to dispense with meetings unless there was worthwhile business to conduct. DG Carter outlined reasons for having regular meetings and suggested many meaningful ways the club could serve the community. This letter can be applicable for our clubs today. The letter is attached.

NEXT CABINET MEETING:

First D7L Cabinet Meeting for the 2014-15 year is scheduled for August 2, 2014, OBU Evans Student Center (3rd floor), Arkadelphia, 9:30 a.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

Respectfully submitted,

Nell C. Rockett, Secretary